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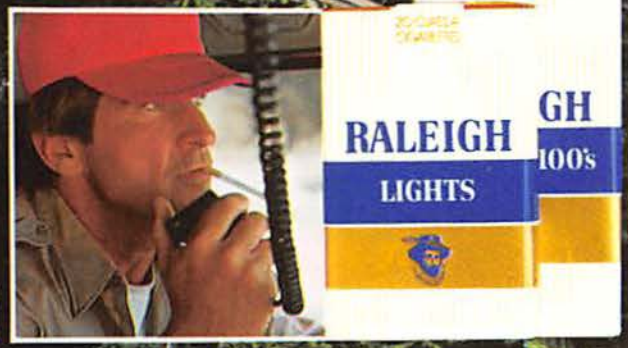
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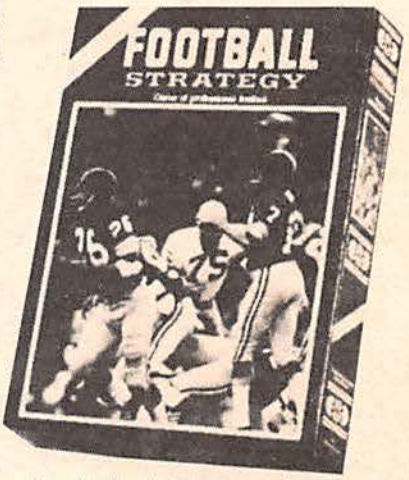


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Nineteen eighty-one should prove to be a landmark year for Paul (Bear) Bryant. The Alabama mentor, now in his 37th year as a head coach, enters the new season just eight wins shy of Amos Alonzo Stagg's all-time record of 314. Former Knoxville *News-Sentinel* sports editor and long-time *Street & Smith's* Deep South correspondent Tom Siler has known The Coach since 1945. His feature on college football's man of the year begins on page 34.

The man who succeeded Siler at Knoxville and the newest contributor to these pages is Marvin West, a director of the Football Writers Association of America who has covered football in the Deep South for 25 years. West foresees a tight race in the Southeastern Conference with Mississippi State the favorite to wear the league crown. Interestingly enough, MSU broke Alabama's 27-game winning streak in the SEC last year. The two teams meet again on October 31 in Tuscaloosa. By then, both teams could well be undefeated, with Bryant going for his record-breaker in what will be the Tide's ninth game.

And what of the University of Georgia, the defending national champion? The Bulldogs play neither Alabama nor Mississippi State in 1981. Coach Vince Dooley's team was hit hard by graduation, but the extraordinary Herschel Walker returns—for another three years!

An important tussle will be waged farther north of Tuscaloosa and earlier in the season. On September 19 Michigan plays host to Notre Dame in Ann Arbor for supremacy—for the time being—in the Midwest. One of several intriguing matchups pits the Irish "rookie" coach, Gerry Faust, against Woverine boss Bo Schembechler, the dean of the Big Ten coaches. Faust, it turns out, realized his dream with his appointment to one of college football's most prestigious—and demanding—jobs. And he didn't have to make a pact with the devil. His Cincinnati Moeller High School teams bedazzled opponents for 18 years. Our own dean of college football writers, Paul Hornung, reports on all the gridiron affairs in the Midwest.

Out West, Dwight Chapin writes that business is back to normal in the Pacific 10. That following a season in which five schools (Arizona, Arizona State, Oregon, Southern California, and UCLA) were ineligible for the conference title and, therefore, the Rose Bowl. Washington, with just one league loss, captured the title outright, but the Huskies will get the most competition in 1981 from Southern Cal and UCLA, whom they play on successive Saturdays in November. The Trojans are loaded, as usual, but their two conference losses last year were to Washington and UCLA. The Bruins did not play Washington in 1980. And offensive-minded Stanford might have the best quarterback in the country in junior John Elway.

Fans in the Rockies will argue with that last evaluation. Brigham Young quarterback Jim McMahon passed for an unheard-of 4,571 yards and 47 touchdowns in 1980 (and for an additional 446 yards and 4 TD's in a dramatic, 46-45 come-from-behind win over Southern Methodist in the Holiday Bowl). Much of McMahon's supporting cast has been lost to graduation, but writer John Blanchette predicts yet another Western Athletic Conference title for the Cougars.

Looking for its second straight Atlantic Coast Conference championship is North Carolina. A 41-7 loss to Oklahoma was the only blemish to an otherwise perfect season for the Tar Heels. They return a powerhouse that defeated Texas, 16-7, in the Bluebonnet Bowl. Smith Barrier, for the 13th year, provides all the coverage.

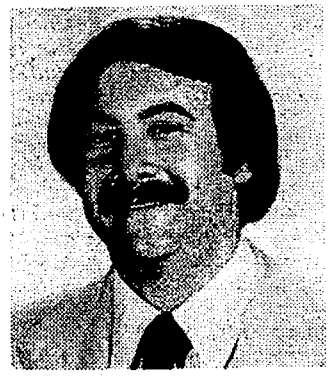
Pat Truly has gazed into his crystal ball and sees the Longhorns rebounding from that season-ending loss to North Carolina to win the Southwest Conference. Houston, Baylor, SMU, and Arkansas will insure a close race.

Pittsburgh had a marvelous 1980, losing just once (to Florida State) in 11 regular-season games before demolishing South Carolina in the Gator Bowl and finishing No. 2 in the final polls. Arnie Burdick forecasts a fight between the Panthers and the Nittany Lions of Penn State for bragging rights in the East.

Nebraska travels to Norman on November 21 to battle Oklahoma for the Big Eight championship. Again. Bill Connors analyzes that matchup and all the doings in the Big Eight and the Missouri Valley.

The 1981 preview begins on page 8 with our top 15 and All-America selections.

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Danny's **sensational 70%** accuracy versus the spread was featured in the December 1979 Issue of **PLAYBOY MAGAZINE** (page 235, "Betting the NFL").

There was a thorough objective research done on the fraudulent practices of many football touts entitled **"Tips on Touts"** which appeared in **ESQUIRE MAGAZINE.** The article points out that **"unlike Danny Sheridan,** some (touts) appear to be either flat-out crooks, slightly shady types, or terrible liars." For a copy of this objective article **"Tips on Touts",** write or call our office. It could save you money, as the author suggests.

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Street & Smith's 1981 all-americas and top 15

OFFENSE	FIRST TEAM	SECOND TEAM
Quarterback	John Elway—Jr—*Stanford*	Art Schlichter—Sr—*Ohio State*
Running Back	Herschel Walker—Soph—*Georgia*	Kelvin Bryant—Jr—*North Carolina*
Running Back	Marcus Allen—Sr—*Southern Cal*	Walter Abercrombie—Sr—*Baylor*
Running Back	Joe Morris—Sr—*Syracuse*	Dwayne Crutchfield—Sr—*Iowa State*
Wide Receiver	Anthony Carter—Jr—*Michigan*	Stanley Washington—Jr—*Texas Christian*
Wide Receiver	Perry Tuttle—Sr—*Clemson*	Tony Hunter—Jr—*Notre Dame*
Tight End	Robert Hubble—Sr—*Rice*	Rodney Holman—Sr—*Tulane*
Tackle	Bubba Paris—Sr—*Michigan*	John Canel—Sr—*Miami*
Tackle	Terry Tausch—Sr—*Texas*	Maceo Fifer—Jr—*Houston*
Guard	Sean Farrell—Sr—*Penn State*	Terry Crouch—Sr—*Oklahoma*
Guard	Roy Foster—Sr—*Southern Cal*	Joe Lukens—Jr—*Ohio State*
Center	Brad Edelman—Sr—*Missouri*	Dave Rimington—Jr—*Nebraska*
Place-kicker	Harry Oliver—Sr—*Notre Dame*	Chuck Nelson—Jr—*Washington*

HONORABLE MENTION

QB: John Fourcade—Sr—*Mississippi*; John Holman—Jr—*NE Louisiana*; Jim McMahon—Sr—*Brigham Young*; Dan Marino—Jr—*Pittsburgh*; Mike Pagel—Sr—*Arizona State*; Steve Stamp—Sr—*TCU*; Rich Stockstill—Sr—*Florida State*. RB: Gary Allen—SR—*Hawaii*; Kerwin Bell—Soph—*Kansas*; Phil Carter—Jr—*Notre Dame*; Stan Edwards—Sr—*Michigan*; Craig James—Jr—*SMU*; Trumaine Johnson—Jr—*Grambling*; Darrin Nelson—Sr—*Stanford*; Gerald Willhite—Sr—*San Jose State*; Sammy Winder—Sr—*Southern Mississippi*; Charlie Wysocki—Sr—*Maryland*. WR: Wayne Baumgardner—Sr—*Wake Forest*; Dwight Collins—Soph—*Pittsburgh*; Robert Griffin—Jr—*Tulane*; Anthony Hancock—Sr—*Tennessee*; Mike Jones—Jr—*Tennessee State*; Rainey Meszaros—Sr—*Pacific*; Andre Tyler—Sr—*Stanford*. TE: Chris Faulkner—Jr—*Florida*; Andy Gibler—Jr—*Missouri*; Ed McGill—Sr—*Western Carolina*; Tim Wrightman—Sr—*UCLA*. T: Ken Dallafior—Sr—*Minnesota*; Chris Koehne—Sr—*N.C. State*; Ed Muransky—Jr—*Michigan*; Lee Nanney—Sr—*Clemson*. G: Kurt Becker—Sr—*Michigan*; Emil Boures—Sr—Pittsburgh; Calvin Close—Sr—*Brigham Young*; Ken Hammond—Sr—*Vanderbilt*; Don Key—Jr—*Oklahoma*; Jesse Sapolu—Jr—*Hawaii*. C: Roger Levasa—Sr—*Oregon State*; John Macaulay—Sr—*Stanford*; Frank Naylor—Sr—*Rutgers*; Lee North—Sr—*Tennessee*. PK: Rick Anderson—Sr—*Purdue*; John Cooper—Sr—*Boston College*; Scott Norwood—Sr—*James Madison*; Jon Poole—Soph—*Colorado State*.

DEFENSE	FIRST TEAM	SECOND TEAM
End	Larry Kubin—Sr—*Penn State*	Billy Ray Smith—Jr—*Arkansas*
End	Robert Brown—Sr—*Virginia Tech*	Andre Tippett—Sr—*Iowa*
Tackle	Lester Williams—Sr—*Miami*	Irv Eatman—Jr—*UCLA*
Tackle	Kenneth Sims—Sr—*Texas*	Steve Clark—Sr—*Utah*
Noseguard	Tim Krumrie—Jr—*Wisconsin*	Tim Jordan—Sr—*Navy*
Linebacker	Thomas Boyd—Sr—*Alabama*	Ricky Young—Sr—*Oklahoma State*
Linebacker	Bob Crable—Sr—*Notre Dame*	Jeff Davis—Sr—*Clemson*
Linebacker	Chip Banks—Sr—*Southern Cal*	Vernon Maxwell—Jr—*Arizona State*
Back	Vann McElroy—Sr—*Baylor*	Darrell Songy—Jr—*Oklahoma*
Back	Jim Bob Harris—Sr—*Alabama*	Dennis Tabron—Sr—*Duke*
Back	Mike Richardson—Jr—*Arizona State*	Tommy Wilcox—Jr—*Alabama*
Punter	Rohn Stark—Sr—*Florida State*	Bucky Scribner—Jr—*Kansas*

HONORABLE MENTION

E: Charles Benson—Jr—*Baylor*; Rusty Guilbeau—Sr—*McNeese State*; Thomas Straughters—Jr—*Jackson State*; Randy Trautman—Sr—*Boise State*; Jimmy Williams—Sr—*Nebraska*. T: Harvey Armstrong—Sr—*SMU*; Dennis Edwards—Sr—*Southern Cal*; Dave Galloway—Sr—*Florida*; Fletcher Jenkins—Sr—*Washington*; Andy Provence—Jr—*South Carolina*; Henry Waechter—Sr—*Nebraska*. G: George Achica—Jr—*Southern Cal*; Warren Lyles—Sr—Alabama; Gabriel Rivera—Jr—*Texas Tech*; Eddie Weaver—Sr—*Georgia*. LB: Jim Budness—Sr—*Boston College*; Johnie Cooks—Sr—*Mississippi State*; Richard Dixon—Sr—*California*; Marcus Marek—Jr—*Ohio State*; Darrell Nicholson—Sr—*North Carolina*; John Schachtner—Sr—*Northern Arizona*. DB: Mark Brady—Sr—*Brigham Young*; Gill Byrd—Jr—*San Jose State*; Mike Kennedy—Sr—*Toledo*; Dave Kimichik—Sr—*Cornell*; Fred Marion—Sr—*Miami*; Tim Seneff—Sr—*Purdue*; Leon Williams—Sr—*Louisville*. P: Jim Arnold—Jr—*Vanderbilt*; Case de Bruijn—Sr—*Idaho State*; Eric Kaifes—Sr—*SMU*; Jack Weil—Soph—*Wyoming*.

TOP 15

1. ***Michigan***
2. ***Southern Cal***
3. ***Notre Dame***
4. ***Mississippi State***
5. ***Oklahoma***
6. ***Alabama***
7. ***Pittsburgh***
8. ***North Carolina***
9. ***Texas***
10. ***Georgia***
11. ***UCLA***
12. ***Nebraska***
13. ***Penn State***
14. ***Washington***
15. ***Ohio State***

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by PAUL HORNUNG

The Super Bowl, despite some brazen poaching, remains pre-eminently a preserve of pro football. But maybe the colleges could gracefully settle in the same neighborhood—for one time anyway—with a Colossal Bowl. Certainly the scheduled happening in University of Michigan Stadium, September 19, deserves an out-of-the-ordinary billing. The renewal will:
(1) Match the two giants of 1981 Midwest football—Michigan is an odds-on favorite to repeat as Big Ten champion—and two of the hottest prospects for the national championship;
(2) Send the "dean" of Big Ten coaches, Bo Schembechler, against a "rookie," Gerry Faust, just up from a high school job in Schembechler's native Ohio;
(3) Show off two of college football's foremost All-America candidates, Anthony Carter of the Wolverines and Bob Crable of Notre Dame, plus 12 other members of Street & Smith's *Midwest regional all-star team;*
(4) Create so much pressure for admissions that the NCAA regular-season crowd record of 106,225 (Ohio State-at-Michigan, 1979) could be eclipsed.

Exciting as it is for the fans—and athletic department treasurers—the head-on crash of two powers that early in the season probably is unfortunate. It will be a physical and emotional drain on both squads, an inevitable letdown for the loser. Not that a defeat would wreck the season. Michigan lost a heartbreaker at Notre Dame last year to a last-second field goal, but gathered itself to win the Big Ten, 8-0, and bring a welcome end to the league's embarrassing string of six defeats in the Rose Bowl. The Wolverines finished No. 4 in the final polls.

The Irish were in excellent position to claim the national championship until ambushed by their old at-Southern Cal jinx. Georgia then applied the final kayo in the Sugar Bowl. ND was ninth in the AP balloting, 10th in UPI.

Schembechler, 83-10-1 in the Big Ten and 114-21-3 overall since arriving at Ann Arbor, did his best coaching job last year. His 1979 team missed the top ten for the first time in 11 years; he faced his most extensive rebuilding and the 1980 Wolverines started 1-2. But they went 9-0 from there, including a 23-6 romp over Washington in Pasadena, January 1. This fall, the 52-year-old Schembechler has the luxury of 15 starters returning, including the spectacular Carter, whose maneuvering from wide receiver and on kick returns sends chills over enemy defenses, and eight others from Street & Smith's *All-Midwest regional team.*

The Wolverine defense, keyed by three now-graduated seniors, achieved the remarkable record of allowing no TD's in its last 22-plus quarters in 1980. But simple arithmetic means eight 1980 starters will be around this fall, including the entire secondary which, though inexperienced at the start, yielded only three TD's to passing in 12 games. Schembechler appears to have about everything and what he doesn't have may be supplied by a freshman class ranked among the best in the nation. His main worry seems to be what might be called the "post-Rose Bowl blahs," a subtle malady that sometimes strikes the ranks after a goal-achieving season.

Tailback Anthony Carter of Michigan has 21 TD catches in just 2 years.

The 45-year-old Faust prayed for the Notre Dame coaching job and he'll go to his first college football wars with considerably more than a prayer. Sixteen of the Irish who started in the Sugar Bowl—eight on each platoon—are scheduled for a September roll call. His predecessor, Dan Devine, had critics, but not of his recruiting. Hence, the talent pool at South Bend is qualitative and deep. Faust then helped himself by signing a freshman squad that includes 13 scholastic All-Americas and has been rated No. 1 by some recruiting surveys.

The Irish offense won't stay the same. Faust promises to "do everything we can to run a wide-open offense," which would be a departure. Devine's ratio was approximately three rushing plays for every pass—not always to the delight of Notre Dame's adoring legions. He has a brilliant runner in Phil Carter—not to mention several heralded rookies—exceptional pass receivers in Dean Masztak and Tony Hunter, and some big, experienced linemen. What he doesn't have is a crystalized quarterback situation. Sophomore Blair Kiel started the last nine games in 1980 as a freshman and gave high promise. But in spring workouts, senior Tim Koegel seriously challenged. One is likely to supply the necessary leadership and, with rampant enthusiasm generated by the new regime and Faust himself, everything points to an intensely interesting and rewarding season for the Irish.

The Big Ten championship is an exclusive annual bauble in the heated Michigan-Ohio State rivalry. For the 12th time in the last 14 years, the title and Rose Bowl invitation probably will be settled headgear-to-headgear by the Buckeyes and Wolverines, this time in Ann Arbor, November 21. Both probably will be unbeaten in conference play, as they have been four previous times going into the season finale. Michigan is clearly the Big Ten favorite, but Ohio State is just as clearly the second choice. Possibly because of a wave of junior-college transfers—an all-time record of more than 50—the "pack" appears to be bunched more closely. Only Northwestern is out of contention for the first division.

Earle Bruce enters his third season at Ohio State with certainly one of the nation's superlative offensive talents, quarterback Art Schlichter, a Heisman Trophy candidate who already owns all of the school's passing and total-offense records. The Buckeyes also have a plethora of receivers and tailbacks of ability, but a worry over fullbacking and holes to fill in the offensive line. Bruce's more serious concern, however, is the defense, which lost seven starters, including the entire secondary—three of the four All-Big Ten selections. Marcus Marek, another in a long line of outstanding OSU linebackers, will anchor the rebuilding forces. The hope is that Schlichter and Co. can manufacture enough points to alleviate pressure on the defense.

Purdue will be without Mark Herrmann for the first time in four years. It has to be a shock, because the big quarterback set not only school but Big Ten and NCAA passing marks. Also gone are All-America tight end Dave Young and five key defenders. For all of Herrmann's greatness, defense has been a large part of Purdue's recent challenges to the Big Ten's Big Two. But Jim Young is confident, mainly because the Boilermakers may be better balanced. If not a serious threat to tie Ohio State for second, as it did last year, Purdue is probably the best of the rest.

PREDICTIONS

BIG TEN CONFERENCE
1. Michigan, 2. Ohio State, 3. Purdue, 4. Iowa, 5. Wisconsin, 6. Minnesota, 7. Illinois, 8. Indiana, 9. Michigan State, 10. Northwestern.

INDEPENDENTS
1. Notre Dame, 2. Dayton, 3. Northern Michigan, 4. Cincinnati.

MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE
1. Central Michigan, 2. Western Michigan, 3. Northern Illinois, 4. Ohio University, 5. Miami, 6. Toledo, 7. Ball State, 8. Bowling Green, 9. Kent State, 10. Eastern Michigan

MID-CONTINENT CONFERENCE
1. Northern Iowa, 2. Eastern Illinois, 3. Western Illinois, 4. Southwest Missouri State

Iowa suffered through an up-and-down campaign last fall, but a 41-0 explosion over Michigan State in the season finale may have been a hint. Hayden Fry has a solid, veteran defense and a good passing game, despite losing record-setting receiver Keith Chappelle and promising backs. A demanding season start—Nebraska, Iowa State, and UCLA—could slow the Hawkeyes as it did last year.

Indiana and Minnesota share a common situation: Hoosier Lee Corso has 10 of 11 defensive starters returning, but heavy graduation damage on offense—including record-setters in QB Tim Clifford and rusher Mike Harkrader. The Gophers' Joe Salem has eight returnees on defense but lost the powerful rushing tandem of Marion Barber and Garry White.

If Wisconsin's offense matches its defense, the Badgers might be joining the first-division scramble. Dave McClain's unit ranked No. 3 in total defense last year and returns nine starters. But the offense finished No. 10 in both total gains and scoring. There's justifiable optimism it will transform.

Muddy Waters hopes for smoother sailing in his second year at Michigan State, but escape from the second division is a port beyond call. Northwestern has another new, young (31 years) head coach in Denny Green, but still doesn't figure.

Illinois' position in the race remains confused, pending disposition of the case of controversial quarterback Dave Wilson. With Wilson, who set 11 Big Ten passing records last year, the Illini might be a candidate for the first division; without him, they will be hard pressed to reach that high.

Wilson ws ruled ineligible by the Big Ten prior to the 1980 season, but went to court, won an injunction, and led the Illini in all 11 games. In April, the Big Ten ruled him ineligible for 1981 and in May, as Wilson concluded spring practice with the football squad, slapped the university with a probation for its part in the affair. The penalties included ban of Illini teams from all postseason events (meaning bowl football games, too).

As this is written, the ball was back in Wilson's court, so to speak. Indications were he would again seek legal means to play his final year at Illinois (he was not in the 1981 NFL draft).

The Mid-America Conference also has a Michigan look. Two-time champion Central Michigan apparently will have a struggle to gain No. 3, but should make it. Western Michigan again appears the most serious threat, with Northern Illinois and reviving Ohio U. also in the battle for top positions.

Northern Iowa and Eastern Illinois should wage another duel for the Mid-Continent title.

To the surprise of no one, Michigan posted its seventh consecutive attendance "championship" last year, with a 104,292 per-game average—and could top that in 1981. Ohio State, the leader for a score of years before Michigan's gate revival, fell to third, behind Tennessee, at 87,925. As a conference, the Big Ten again occupied first with 3,865,170 customers. Notre Dame, playing to capacity every home Saturday, stayed at a 59,075 average.

1981 ALL-MIDWEST TEAM

OFFENSE			
Quarterback	Art Schlichter	SR	Ohio State
Running Back	Butch Woolfolk	SR	Michigan
Running Back	Phil Carter	JR	Notre Dame
Fullback	Stan Edwards	SR	Michigan
Wide Receiver	Anthony Carter	JR	Michigan
Tight End	Bob Stephenson	SR	Indiana
Tackle	Ed Muransky	JR	Michigan
Tackle	Bubba Paris	SR	Michigan
Guard	Joe Lukens	JR	Ohio State
Guard	Kurt Becker	SR	Michigan
Center	Tom Piette	SR	Michigan State
Place-kicker	Harry Oliver	SR	Notre Dame
DEFENSE			
End	Robert Thompson	JR	Michigan
End	Andre Tippett	SR	Iowa
Tackle	Jerome Foster	SR	Ohio State
Tackle	Tim Marshall	SOPH	Notre Dame
Middle Guard	Tim Krumrie	JR	Wisconsin
Linebacker	Marcus Marek	JR	Ohio State
Linebacker	Bob Crable	SR	Notre Dame
Back	Mike Robb	JR	Minnesota
Back	Keith Bostic	JR	Michigan
Back	Tim Seneff	SR	Purdue
Back	John Krimm	SR	Notre Dame
Punter	Don Bracken	SOPH	Michigan

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

MICHIGAN

(10-2, 8-0) Bo Schembechler got an early Christmas present last year. Of course, he got a belated one, too, that topped off what he understates as a "very rewarding year"—his first Bowl (Rose) victory in eight tries.

Though it pales by comparison, the early "gift" will be significant for years to come. Michigan completed a gleaming $1.8 million indoor football practice building equipped with artificial turf, as is the nearby stadium. It guarantees no more lost, or weather-handicapped practices in the spring or late fall. Or before future bowl games. Considering that, eight starters and 21 lettermen returning from the Big Ten's No. 1 defense, seven regulars and 25 lettermen on offense, four first-team and three second-team All-Big Ten selections, and four or five legitimate All-America candidates, it appears Schembechler has everything going into the 1981 season.

He'd mildly argue, reminding, "We didn't lose many people, but the ones we did were quality people and players." Further, the Big Ten's coaching "dean" (13th year) hedges, "One problem that still exists is that we're not set in the middle of the defensive line or at linebacker."

But Schembechler doesn't underestimate Michigan's assets and he gives the impression that one major concern has been eased, maybe removed. John Wangler didn't figure in Michigan's plans last fall because of knee surgery, but he came on to become an extremely effective quarterback. Hence, Rick Hewlett, who started the first two games, and heralded freshman Steve Smith were relegated to very brief appearances. Hewlett, Smith, sophomores Dave Hall and Greg Powell, and B.J. Dickey, a 1979 starter forced to sit out last year, all joined the scramble last spring to succeed Wangler. Schembechler declined to name his No. 1 choice, but it was apparent that Smith had established his claim. The 6-2, 195-pound sophomore earned a "sensational" rating from spring game observers, after hitting 12 of 23 passes for 169 yards and rushing for 69 yards. He seems to have it all, speed, quick, strong release, running ability. Hewlett (6-1, 197) also combines running and passing, suggesting Michigan may do a little more option than last year. Both Hall and Powell had good spring practices.

The quarterback will have the kind of machine to operate any quarterback would hope for. Tailbacks Butch Woolfolk (6-1, 207) and Larry Ricks (5-10, 200) accounted for 1,041 and 850 yards, respectively, and fullback Stan Edwards (6-1, 211) 901 for 2,792 of Michigan's 3,023 rushing yards in 1980. Woolfolk, MVP in the Rose Bowl, is an All-America possibility, a slashing runner with long-range speed. Edwards and Ricks likewise have speed and power, giving Schembechler a threesome not matched in the Big Ten, maybe not anywhere. Kerry Smith and Greg Armstrong, both sophomores, are solid backups to Woolfolk and Ricks and Tom Hassel (6-0, 195) and Gerald Ingram (6-1, 217) will again support Edwards.

Anthony Carter gives the Wolverines receiving corps one of college football's most dangerous weapons. The 5-11, 161-pound speedster grabbed 51 passes for 818 yards last year, but the 14 TD's he scored tell more. He has an uncanny knack of sneaking open, especially in the end zone. Just his threat is disruptive for enemy defenses. Carter, still only a junior, has a school record 21 TD catches, his 11 in league games last year was a Big Ten record, his 840 yards in kickoff returns another school record. He is the first sophomore (1980) ever elected MVP at Michigan and only the second Michigan sophomore to make All-America (Bennie Oosterbaan did in 1925). Last year, he returned 15 kickoffs for 462 yards, 24 punts for 165. He's one of those rare players who sets the crowd buzzing every time a pass or a kick heads his way.

With all the defensive attention directed at Carter, Schembechler believes "the key to our





FB Stan Edwards (#32), OG Kurt Becker (#65), and LB Robert Thompson (#99) of Wolverines

receiving is going to be Vince Bean. He's going to be a good one." Bean (6-1, 179) arrived last year with high rating, but a broken wrist cost him the entire season. Junior Kenny Gear (6-1, 189) and Fred Brockington (6-4, 200) are backups. Norm Betts (6-5, 230, 17r, 161y) and Craig Dunaway (6-3, 225, 9r, 139y) will be one-two at tight end, as they were last year, and sophomore Milt Carthens (6-3, 236) looked like a factor in spring drills.

As the three backs rank with any in the nation, so do Michigan's three returning interior linemen. What quarterback—or coach—wouldn't welcome tackles Ed Muransky (6-7, 270) and Bubba Paris (6-7, 270) and guard Kurt Becker (6-6, 255)? All three have been regulars for two previous years, starting every game in 1980. All three mobile giants were All-Big Ten last year and All-America mentions. Schembechler rates Muransky and Paris his best pair ever and Becker potentially his best-ever guard. All-America George Lilja and All-Big Ten John Powers (G) must be replaced, but the prospects are there. Sophomore Tom Dixon (6-2, 235), switched from guard, moved ahead of last year's backup, Jeff Felton (6-2, 227), at center last spring. Tom Garrity (6-4, 245), a top freshman last year, is making it a three-way battle. Rich Stenger (6-7, 245) and Stephan Humphries (6-3, 240), both sophomores with strong showings in spring football, will battle for the other guard. Soph Jerry Diorio (6-4, 235) backs up Becker.

Michigan's offense rolled up an impressive 4,707 yards last year and scored 322 points. It should at least be as good in 1981. So could the defense, ranked No. 1 in the Big Ten in total yardage yield and points and ninth in the NCAA against scoring.

The Wolverines' primary asset is the secondary, where Keith Bostic (6-1, 205), Brian Carpenter (5-11, 166), Marion Body (5-10, 182), and Tony Jackson (5-11, 161) proved that speed, quickness, and competitive fire can overcome lack of experience and size. Sophomore Evan Cooper had a good spring. Stu Harris, a 1979 starter who was injured last season, is back, and so are Jerry Burgel, Jeff Reeves,



Coach Bo Schembechler of Michigan

and John Lott. Junior Paul Girgash (6-1, 205) was second to Andy Cannavino in tackles (114) in his first year as an inside LB. Cannavino's spot is still unfilled going into the fall, but Ben Needham (6-4, 215) might be the answer. He sat out last year, after being a starter at outside linebacker in 1979, and made the switch inside in the spring with some success. Backups Jim Herrmann (6-2, 215) and Mike Borean (6-3, 215) are also possibilities. Junior Robert Thompson (6-3, 215), a starter at one outside linebacker, was the No. 4 tackler last season and probably Michigan's most underrated player. Mike Lemirande (6-4, 219) moves up to Mel Ownes's job, although Schembechler says the coaches were "very impressed" with sophomores Carlton Rose (6-2, 210) and Rod Lyles (6-2, 215) last spring. The interior line returns middle guard Jeff Shaw (6-2, 250), who became a starter midway last year as a freshman, and tackle Winfred Carraway (6-3, 235), who began the season as the middle guard, then switched. Cedric Coles (6-2, 242), a three-game starter, is the other tackle; soph Doug James (6-2, 240) gave indications he may help and Tony Osbun (6-5, 258) was moved from offense (T) to add to the manpower.

Michigan suffered through several years of kicking woes, but that has been corrected. Definitely. Don Bracken averaged 42.7 yards on 56 punts as a freshman last year, while junior Ali Haji-Sheikh developed into one of the Big Ten's best kickers, with 11 for 17 on FG's and 37 for 40 in PAT's. The 11 FG's ties Michigan's all-time record.

Certainly among Michigan plusses is Schembechler, who has established himself firmly among the era's most successful coaches. His 114 wins still trails Feilding Yost's 165 among Wolverine coaches, but his 83-10-1 record for Big Ten games trails no one.

And no more weather worries, either.

OHIO STATE

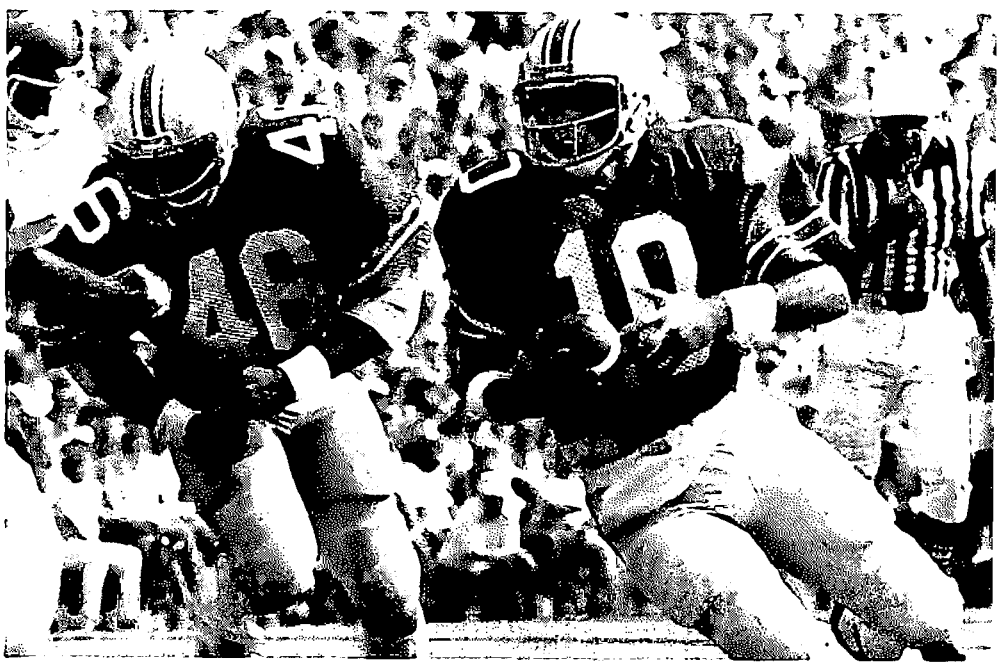
(9-3, 7-1) Art Schlichter made a minor change in his passing grip last spring, moving his hand more toward the tip of the football. The brilliant Buckeye senior never threw better. If that is bad news to OSU rivals, it is a comfort to Earle Bruce, who begins his third year in Columbus with a 20-4 record. Schlichter, easily the best quarterback in the Big Ten and possibly in the nation, is more a factor than ever in Ohio State's ambitions for a return to the Rose Bowl.

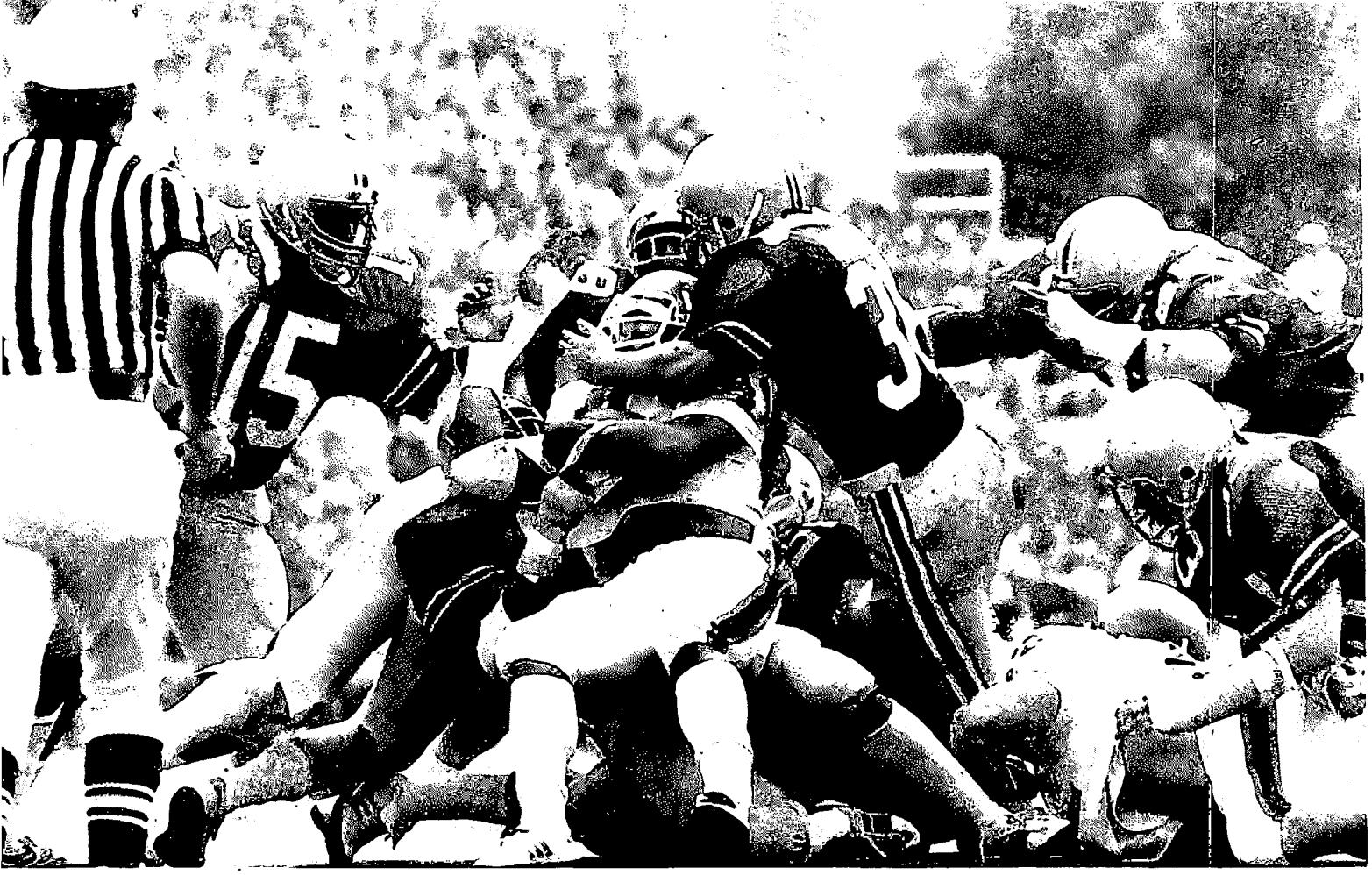
Bruce's graduation losses were numerically modest on offense: four regulars and a part-time starter. But among them were tailback Cal Murray, 1980 Big Ten rushing champion, and flanker Doug Donley, OSU's all-time receiving record-setter. More significantly though, Bruce's defense was reduced to remants—four starters and only five other lettermen.

Bruce is justifiably optimistic about the offense. Schlichter alone would buoy any coach's morale. This handsome 6-3, 208-pound leader already holds most of the OSU passing records—even with the old grip. He's air-mailed footballs 4,996 yards and had 33 TD's in three years, both school records, as are his 6,341 yards in total offense and 62 TD's accounted for. Schlichter's deadly passing and dangerous running are augmented by dynamic leadership and field savvy. And he's determined to finish his career on a high note—even better than last year's 122 completions for 1,255 yards, 15 TD's and 325 yards and 7 TD's by rushing.

Ohio State QB Art Schlichter runs behind block of FB Tim Spencer.







Buckeye linebacker Marcus Marek halts ball-carrier's progress.

He'll miss Donley. They worked out together for three summers and he found Doug 106 times for 2,252 yards and 16 TD's in their three years of varsity competition. But Schlichter will still have one of the best receiving corps in the conference. Split end Gary Williams (39r, 682y, 6 TDs) returns and last year's swift freshmen, Cedric Anderson and Thad Jemison, indicated in spring practice they're ready to fulfill their lavish press clippings. Also, Victor Langley, former all-Texas tailback, was switched to wide receiver late last fall and starred in the spring game. Williams could erase Donley's records. "He's something: the big (6-3), physical (196), fast receiver you like to throw to," Bruce agrees.

Tight end, more a blocking than receiving position, is well-stocked with starter Brad Dwelle (6-4, 224), last year's outstanding freshman John Franks (6-3, 223), and soph Judd Groza (6-3, 228). The latter, son of Cleveland Browns great Lou Groza, is coming off back surgery.

Though Murray accounted for 1,267 of Ohio State's Big Ten-leading 2,983 rushing yards last fall, Bruce has all the ingredients of another power pack. Sophomore Tim Spencer played fullback last year (577y, 8 TDs) because Bruce already had Murray at tailback. The 6-1, 210 Spencer had a satisfactory season but proved his point in a promised return to his high school position last spring: that he can be a truly outstanding tailback. Deceptively fast and strong, he was the spring game's top player.

Sophomore Vaughn Broadnax (6-3, 242) is scheduled for fullback. He teamed with Spencer in short-yardage situations at times late last fall, mostly for blocking purposes. Injuries kept him from establishing himself in spring practice. The only other letterman fullback on the roster is Ray Myers. Bruce didn't recruit a freshman. Therefore, the option is clear: if the coach isn't satisfied with the lineup this fall, "Spencer will be back at fullback."

The move could be made without concern because tailback is deep, with Jimmy Gayle (326y), much-injured but still-high-rated Kelvin Lindsey, and touted JC transfer Brian Smith. The speedy Gayle (5-10, 192) has looked like a Big Ten-caliber tailback in every chance for the last two years. Last spring, the Buckeyes used Spencer and Gayle in the same backfield part-time. Bruce said it was "to help the defense, because the first four teams we play next fall are split backfield teams." He admits, "We might run some split backs if it looks good, but basically we're still going to be an I team."

Thanks to development of upcoming sophomores, Bruce contends, "We're going to have a better offensive line this year." He has Joe Lukens (6-4, 258) returning at guard, Jim DeLeone (5-10, 222) at center, and Joe Smith (6-3, 258) at tackle. Lukens was first-team All-Big Ten last year as a guard, after being second-team All-Big Ten as a freshman tackle in 1979. He's All-American potential now. Soph Bill Roberts (6-5, 275) is going to be a fine tackle. He played enough to letter last season and was No. 1 all spring. Letterman Dave Medich (6-2, 248) was the other guard in the spring, but soph Scott Zalenski (6-4, 248) will be hard to keep out. Ex-tight end soph Joe Dooley (6-7, 260) came on strong at tackle in the spring.

The wealthiest position on the Buckeyes, however, is quarterback. Senior Bob Atha, who might be a starter for some other teams, will again back up Schlichter, with competition from Brent Offenbecher, a former all-Ohioan who transferred from Wake Forest, and freshmen Mike Tomczak, Walt Norley, and Jim Karsatos—all on national recruiting lists.

Ohio State led the Big Ten last year in total offense and in scoring. A repeat is a reasonable possibility. But defense is the great uncertainty. It was No. 2 in the Big Ten last year, but seven stalwarts of that unit have gone.

There are some solid rocks for the foundation. Linebacker Marcus Marek (6-2, 216) has started 23 straight games and proved himself a worthy successor to OSU greats Randy Gradishar, Tom Cousineau, and others. Around the ball an amazing percentage of the snaps, Marek was first-team All-Big Ten and second team All-America (AP) last season, after a team-leading 140 tackles. Tackle Jerome Foster (6-3, 264) was the No. 3 tackler, nailed enemy ball-carriers behind the line a dozen times, and should be All-Big Ten timber, if not more. Glen Cobb (6-3, 208) battled injuries but showed enough potential as Marek's inside partner last year to be rated high. The fourth holdover starter is tackle Chris Riehm (6-6, 260).

"Critical" might be a strong description for Bruce's defensive backfield. Then again, maybe not, if safety Rod Gorley should be quick in coming back from serious knee surgery last spring. The 6-1, 193 junior started some 1980 games and played the third-most time among Buckeye defensive backs. "The secondary is where (good) things are going to have to happen," Bruce concedes. "Gorley was really our only experienced back."

Three of the grads, rover Todd Bell and cornerbacks Ray Ellis and Vince Skillings, were first-team All-Big Ten. Soph Shaun Gayle (5-11, 196) played enough as Bell's understudy to letter and showed promise. He was moved to cor-

ner last spring and is a sure starter. Soph Doug Hill (6-0, 188) was impressive at rover in the spring. Garcia Lane, converted from split end, showed he can handle safety, if Gorley isn't available. Squadmen Mark Eberts and Doyle Lewis are vying for the other corner job. "The defensive secondary made great strides (in spring practice)," Bruce suggests. He also reminds, "We went for defensive backs in our recruiting and we got some good ones."

Outside linebacker lost two outstanding veterans, Keith Ferguson and Al Washington, but Mike D'Andrea (6-3, 219) and Ben Lee (6, 210) have been backups for two years and appear ready. Soph Orlando Lowry (6-3, 228) also came on strong in spring workouts. Letterman Nick Miller (6-2, 224) was the middle guard as of spring, but Bruce is hoping soph Mark Hocevar (6-2, 233) will be mended. The latter might have started as a freshman last year, except for a knee injury. He missed spring drills because of knee surgery. Mid-year freshman Spencer Nelms (6-3, 231) played well last spring, indicating help at tackle. Ohio State finished No. 2 to Michigan in total defense and score prevention, but this is a whole new year.

The schedule doesn't start the way Bruce would have picked it: Duke, Michigan State, (at) Stanford and Florida State. "We'll find out about ourselves early," he agrees.

And there's the trip to Ann Arbor on the 11th Saturday.

PURDUE

(9-3, 7-1) Statistics fall short, because they don't reflect the intangibles: leadership qualities, experience level, etc. But the mere recitation of these figures should give an idea of what has gone from the Purdue offense: quarterback Mark Herrmann, 9,946 yards career passing and 71 TD's; tight end Dave Young, 2,316 yards receiving and 27 TD's; split end Bart Burrell, 2,126 yards receiving and 14 TD's. All three started for virtually their entire four-year stay at West Lafayette. Additionally, four other full-time starters on offense and five from the defense have departed.

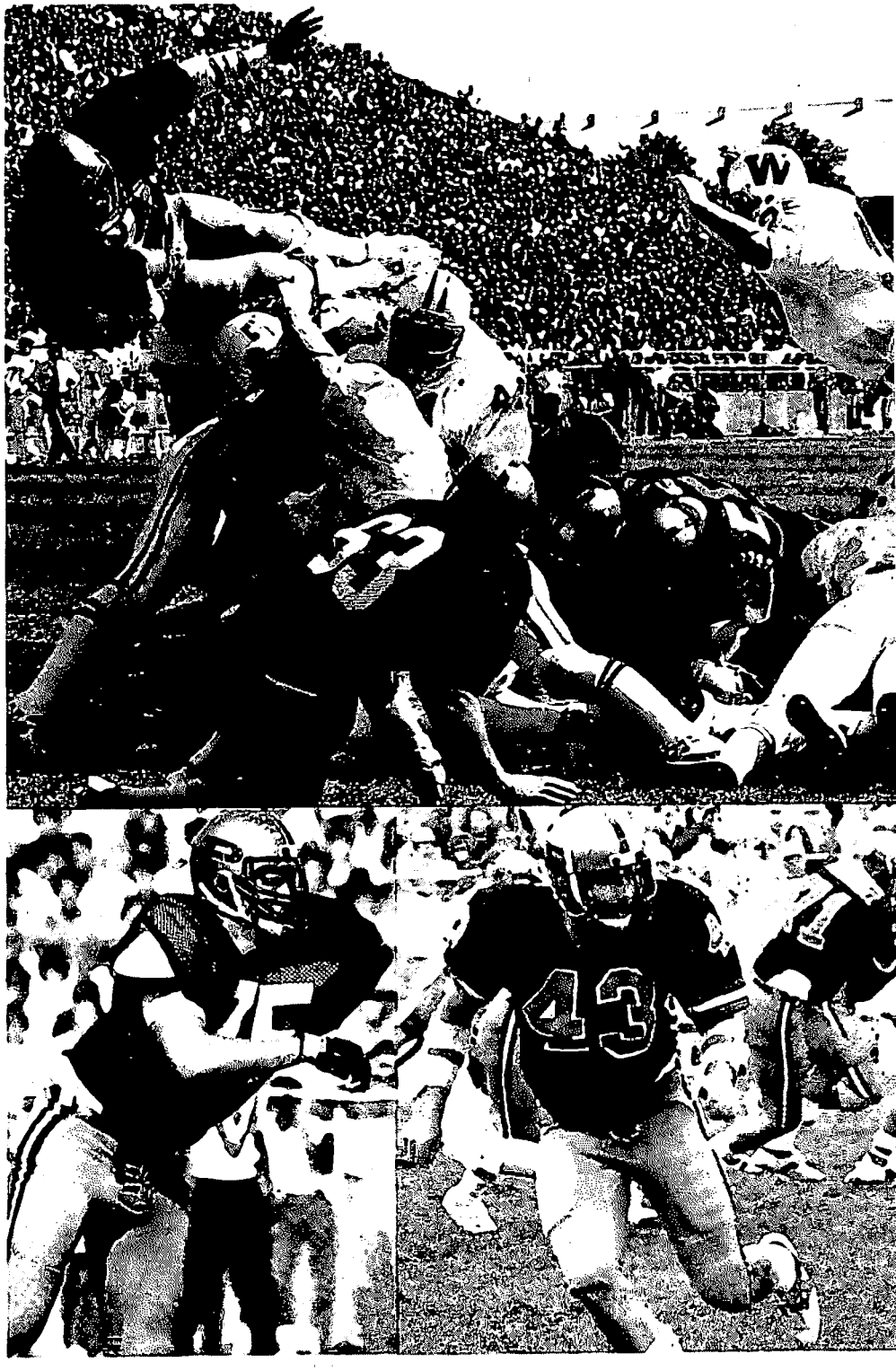
Nobody knows better than Jim Young how much more the grads meant than the bare statistics. But he's approaching his fifth year at Purdue with surprising optimism. He'll start with only three offensive and six defensive regulars among 39 lettermen, but seven others have started a game or two.

Sophomore Scott Campbell, a 6-foot, 188-pound former Pennsylvania all-stater, succeeds Herrmann. It would be unfair to say he'll replace him. But Young attests that Campbell nailed down the No. 1 position with a solid showing last spring.

Campbell's varsity debut should say something about him. In warmups before last year's nationally-televised game at Notre Dame, it was decided that Herrmann couldn't play because of a bad thumb. That sent then-freshman Campbell into a brutal pressure situation. He responded with a stirring performance under the conditions: 17-for-26 for 178 yards passing, including ten completions in a row. ND won, however, 31-10. Herrmann was ready the next week and Campbell played sparingly thereafter (23c, 293y). Larry Gates, a strong backup to Herrmann in 1979, is back again, after missing last year with injuries in an auto accident. He'll be No. 2 this fall.

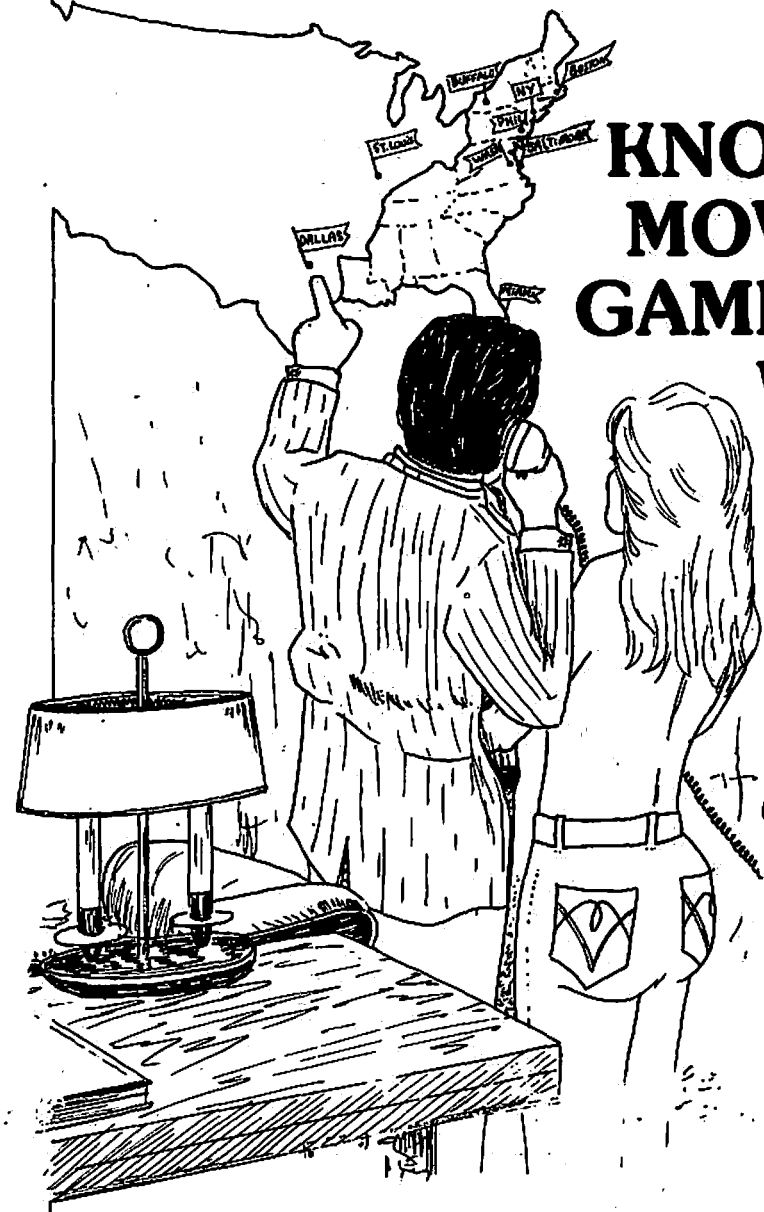
Young does return one exceptional receiver in flanker Steve Bryant, a 6-2, 185-pound senior with blazing speed. He caught 50 passes last year for 892 yards. Scott Craig, Burrell's understudy, moves up at split end, with another backup, Cliff Benson (6-4, 210), at tight end, supported by Tom Barr (6-3, 221) and Mo Lovely (6-3, 221).

With the possibility of fewer pasing plays, rushers become all the more important and Purdue is three-deep at both positions. Jimmy Smith staged the comeback of the year. After leaving the squad during the 1979 season, the hard-running 6-foot, 195-pound former prep All-America led the 1980 Boilermakers (657y, 7 TD's). Speedster Eric Jordan (6-0, 183), redshirted last year because of injury, pushed Smith in spring workouts. Wally Jones (204y), who started three midseason games, is expected to challenge, too, assuming he's healed from post-bowl game knee surgery. Bob Pruitt (5-11, 197) and Jim Owen (6-0, 208), who shared the No. 2 fullback spot last season, are still bat-



Purdue tailback Jimmy Smith (top) had first TD against Wisconsin; safety Tim Seneff (#43) and OT Tom Jelesky of Boilermakers

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Iowa's leading tackler, LB Mel Cole

tling for No. 1. Jim Meyer (5-11, 218), injured in 1980, may be a third challenger.

"Our running should be improved," Young believes, "because our whole team has more quickness." That also extends to the giants of the interior line: tackles Tom Jelesky (6-6, 268) and Jim Fritzsche (6-8, 268), guards Ray Gunner (6-3, 236) and Claybon Fields (6-7, 270), and center Paul Royer (6-4, 223). Jelesky and Gunner are the only holdover regulars, but Fields and Royer have started games. Chris Prince (6-4, 260), converted from defense, is a strong backup at tackle.

Purdue's defense, fourth against scoring in the Big Ten and sixth overall, loses five regulars, but all five were among the team's top ten tacklers. Linebackers Jim Looney and Mike Marks accounted for 180 and 112 tackles, respectively. Key replacements will be at linebacker, where David Frye (6-2, 200) is the lone returnee. Andy Gladstone (6-3, 213) started the last two 1980 games at the other outside assignment. He does have experience. Also, Craig Abreu (6-2, 213), a 1980 JC transfer, came on strong in spring practice.

Young also may enjoy an unexpected bonus. Roosevelt Barnes, from the Boilermaker basketball team, has decided to try football again. "He's quick and aggressive," says Young. "He can really help us (as an outside LB)."

Sophomore Brock Spack (6-2, 215), one of last year's top freshmen, will take over one inside spot, with JC transfer Mark Brown (6-2, 218) at the other. Lettermen Bob Pickering (6-4, 260) and Bob Nommensen (6-3, 218) provide backup.

Purdue has two returning line starters in Paul Hanna (6-3, 240), who plays either tackle or noseguard, and Tom Munro (6-6, 240), who reverses that order. Hanna played NG in the spring, because Munro was recovering from a knee operation. Matt Hernandez (6-6, 258) and Len Scott (6-4, 220), both of whom have started games, are the top tackle prospects, backed by Casey Moore (6-1, 240) and Mike Moreland (6-5, 225).

Despite losing All-Big Ten Bill Kay, the Boilermakers' strength will be its secondary. Senior safeties Tim Seneff (6-2, 207) and Marcus McKinnie (6-2, 193), both big, strong, and with savvy, should be among the Big Ten's best. Bob Williams returns at one corner and Derrick Taylor, a two-game starter, at the other.

If the offense doesn't produce as many touchdowns, Young has a comfortable alternative. Rick Anderson led the Big Ten in kick scoring last year and was No. 2 in scoring by any means. He hit 38 of 39 PAT's, 16 of 23 FG's. Jim Bosche, starting his third season as regular punter, doesn't kick for a big average (35.4), but Young likes his accuracy and consistency.

If the home field has any advantage in football, Purdue's schedule could be one of its assets. It lists Purdue as host to both Ohio State and Michigan in conference games and to Stanford and Notre Dame in non-conference. Overall, however, the Boilermakers might be happy with last year's final poll positions of 16 (UPI) and 17 (AP).

IOWA

(4-7, 4-4) There's good news and bad news in the Hawkeyes' schedule. The bad news: Texan Hayden Fry begins his third year at Iowa against Nebraska. But at least he gets the Huskers at home this time. Iowa was trampled 57-0 at Lincoln last September. The good news for Fry: he doesn't play Ohio State, but he does add a trip to Michigan this year.

Fry also figures the percentages coming his way in 1981. "We had ten surgeries last year," he notes. "The year before, we didn't have one." One of the major injuries last year was a broken wrist to senior quarterback Phil Suess in the seventh game, with a result that junior Pete Gales (6-3, 175) had a chance to prove himself. The Hawks went 2-2 and he finished with 66 pass completions for 882 yards and six TD's. Gales heads up the six returning starters from 1980, but he's still fighting to keep No. 1 status. Gordy Bohannon (6-2, 195), a JC transfer who red-shirted last year, has mounted such a challenge Fry claims he may not decide until the opening kickoff.

Iowa ranked seventh in both total yardage and scoring last year, partially because Fry had trouble keeping backs healthy. Then freshman J.C. Love-Jordan (5-11, 180) finished strong at tailback (93y) but he, too, had stiff competition in spring practice from another sophomore, Eddie Phillips (6-1, 190).

Another duel is still unsettled at fullback between senior Marty Ball (6-1, 205) and sophomore Norm Granger (6-1, 205), who was second to Love-Jordan in kickoff returns last year. Phil Blatcher (198y) and Dwayne Williams, hurt last year, bolster the running game.

Fry came into the Big Ten with the reputation of a passing coach (76 throws against Ohio State when he was at SMU) and promoted the idea. His first year at Iowa City, he crossed up the opposition by rushing 526 times to only 248 passes. Last year, the ratio was a more balanced 451-320. This may be the year Fry swings back to his Texas style, even though he lost his top three receivers. His quarterbacks threw well and he confides "probably the biggest surprise of the spring was the way our new receivers caught the ball. They did an exceptional job."

Ivory Webb (6-0, 187), a JC transfer who lettered last fall, moved into the split end spot vacated by record-setter Keith Chappelle; Lon Olenjniczak (6-3, 204), the starting tight end, switched to wingback; soph John Ault (6-7, 243), who was a unanimous high school All-America, and junior Mike Hufford (6-3, 235) both looked much improved at tight end. Jeff Brown (5-10, 165) will join the catching corps this fall. The swift junior ran for 673 yards at tailback last season, before requiring knee surgery. He's returning to his more natural wide receiving position.

Bruce Kittle (6-5, 250) at tackle and Dave Mayhan (6-4, 256) at guard are returning regulars. Paul Postler (6-4, 235) at tackle, Ron Hallstrom (6-6, 280), and Dave Oakes (6-3, 230) are all backups who step up to become main hopes. Joe Levelis (6-6, 280) filled in for injured Mayhan in spring drills.

It's no secret Iowa will count heavily on its defense, which was fifth in the Big Ten in total yardage and points yielded. Eight starters will be available. The top six tacklers return, headed by leader Mel Cole (6-2, 224), who could be in line for all-league honors. His partner at linebacker, Todd Simonsen (6-3, 235), is also highrated. Red-shirt Jim Erb is a strong backup. Andre Tippett (6-4, 230) and Brad Webb (6-1, 215) at the ends, Mark Bortz (6-6, 256) at tackle, and Pat Dean (6-2, 250) at noseguard are the other top tacklers. Tippett, All-Big Ten first team, had 20 sacks and nine passes broken up last year. Dean and Bortz, both two-year starters, were behind Cole in stops. JC transfer Jim Pekar (6-4, 255) moves up to replace standout tackle John Harty. Bryan Skradis (6-2, 213), a starter at end until he underwent knee surgery last fall, is also ready again. Tracy Crocker and Bobby Stoops will be back at the safety jobs, and Lou King and Jim Frazier, both experienced seniors, take over the corner assignments.

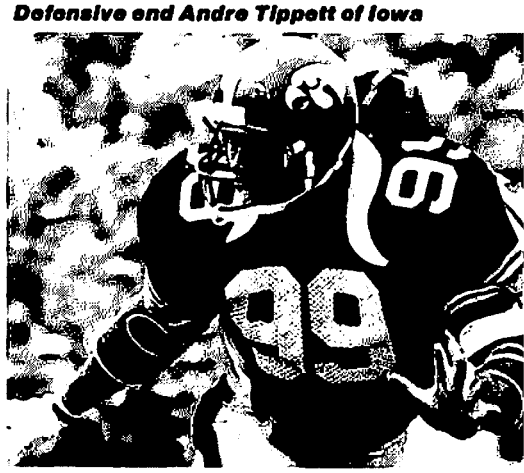
Iowa's Reggie Roby ranked fourth in the Big Ten in punting with a 40.6 average and converted six of nine PAT's and six of 15 FG's. Olenjniczak got the call on short punts, averaging 35.3, and kicked eight of eight PAT's and two of two FG's.

WISCONSIN

(4-7, 3-5) Dave McClain and his staff operate from a new, plush $1-million athletic department complex. While it has no bearing on Badger football prospects, the luxury is a morale booster. But McClain's morale—heading into season No. 4 at Madison—would be more substantially elevated if he could be certain Wisconsin's 1981 offense looked new and like $1-million.

The 1980 deficiency leaps right out of Big Ten statistics: passing, Wisconsin 10th; total offense, Wisconsin 10th; scoring, Wisconsin 10th. For all games, its offense managed 138 points, averaged 284 total yards and a paltry 87.2 yards passing per game. Opponents

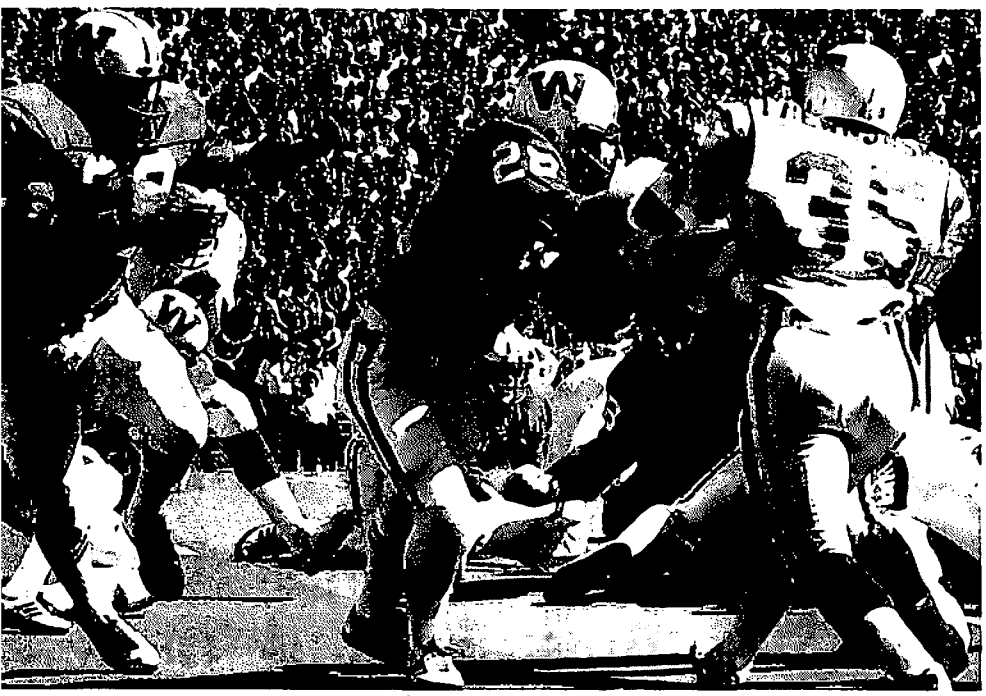
Defensive end Andre Tippett of Iowa



pitched four shutouts and Wisconsin failed to score a TD in 6 of 11 games.

McClain finished spring practice with renewed hope. "If our offense can come alive, which I think it will, a lot," he says, "I think we'll be a better football team." Last year's problem, he suggests, was a lack of passing. The completion rate was .401 for the season, but lower than that until then-freshman Jess Cole moved in for the final two games. "We started playing a lot better," McClain reminds, "because we were able to open up and throw a little bit."

The 6-2, 197-pound Cole ran for 92 yards, completed five of seven passes for 57, and scored four TD's, one a 52-yard sneak, in a season-ending upset of Minnesota. After Cole did what McClain rated "a very, very good job" in spring workouts, the quarterback situation is much brighter. John Jostens, hampered by injuries much of his career, backs up Cole, along with sophomore Mark Doran.



Wisconsin's Chunky Davis follows the block of fullback Dave Mohapp (#28).

Wisconsin's passing game should be boosted, too, on the receiving side. "We went for wide-outs in our recruiting and I think we got great ones," McClain reports. One recruiting survey listed the top 20 in the country and three fledgling Badgers were included—Gary Ellerson (6-1, 185), Mike Jones (5-11, 170), and Al Toon (6-3, 185). Last year's leader, and a three-year starter, Tim Straka (28r, 462y), is back at split end, Thad McFadden (10r, 134y) at flanker, backed by Marvin Neal (10r, 119y), and both tight ends, Craig Frederick and Greg Rebas. Sophomore Jeff Nault (6-4, 227), an injury redshirt last year, also is in the picture.

The Badgers were fourth in the Big Ten in rushing last year and McClain has all of his runners back, plus a bonus or two. Chunky Davis, a standout tailback as a freshman in 1979, will rejoin the ranks this fall. He was out of school last season. Also, sophomore Marck Harrison projected himself into the competition at tailback with what McClain regarded as "a tremendous spring." John Williams (526y) is the incumbent, with Troy King (425y), an early-season starter, also battling for the position. Fullback Dave Mohapp (6-0, 216) was All-Big Ten in 1979, but slowed last fall because of an early-summer back operation (506y). He appeared to be in top form last spring. Gerald Green (6-0, 252) will again be a strong backup (265y) and Jim Melka (6-2, 225), a heralded all-state recruit last year but an injury red-shirt, could push both.

The only Badger missing from the 1980 starting offense is center Joe Rothbauer and McClain filled that spot smoothly by switching Ron Versnik (6-4, 253) from tackle last spring. Jerry Doeger (6-5, 255) and soph Carlton Walker (6-5, 290) will be the tackles; Bob Winckler (6-3, 272), ready to be a standout, and Leo Joyce (5-11, 246) the guards.

If Wisconsin's offense could match its defense, happier days would be upon Badgerland. The unit ranked 11th in 1980 NCAA in rushing defense and fourth in the Big Ten. It also was third in the league in total defense and defense vs. scoring. The mainstays return for 1981.

Noseguard Tim Krumrie (6-2, 237) is a likely All-Big Ten selection. He anchors the platoon, along with Guy Boliaux (6-0, 218), a three-year starter at outside linebacker, Dave Levenick (6-2, 212) and Larry Spurlin (6-0, 229) at inside linebacker, and back Dave Greenwood (6-3, 203). Krumrie led the Badgers in tackles with 105. Tom Booker (6-3, 237) was switched from tackle to the other outside linebacking spot last spring, bringing Darryl Sims (6-4, 247) into the tackle opposite holdover regular Mark Shumate (6-5, 251). Von Mansfield (CB) is another starter and Matt Vanden Boom moved ahead of starter Dan Messenger (S) last spring. Clint Sims (CB) is the fourth secondary member. Others who could figure include Vaughn Thomas (S), Kyle Borland (OLB), Jerry Vance (CB), and Jody O'Donnell (ILB).

The kicking game is solid, although Greenwood didn't have his best year as a punter (36.3). Mark Doran took over place-kicking late last season (13/14 PAT's, 4/6 FG's).

"I think we're getting better," McClain believes, "but our schedule is suicidal." The Badgers open against Michigan, then it's UCLA, W. Michigan, Purdue, and Ohio State.

MINNESOTA

(5-6, 4-5) In a funny sort of way, 1980 was a big mistake for the Gophers. "We led the Big Ten in fumbles and penalties," notes Joe Salem. Nobody else bobbled the ball 43 times, or lost it 21 or backed up 68 times for 650 yards in rules infractions. "In order to be a better team," Salem suggests of his bid for a first winning record in three seasons at Minneapolis, "we have to eliminate those mistakes."

That's not his only problem. Gone are Marion Barber and Garry White, the big backs who rank one-two in rushing in Minnesota history. They produced 20 of the team's 28 TD's in 1980, two-thirds of its ground gains. Thanks to that tandem, the Gophers ranked third in Big Ten rushing, though eighth in total offense and sixth in scoring. The only letterman ball-carrier is Duane Gregory (275y), a fifth-year player who backed up White. He will be the fullback starter (5-10, 205). Salem has high hopes for two JC transfers at tailback, Frank Jacobs (6, 200) and Walter Ross (6-1, 190), but neither has carried a football in a college game.

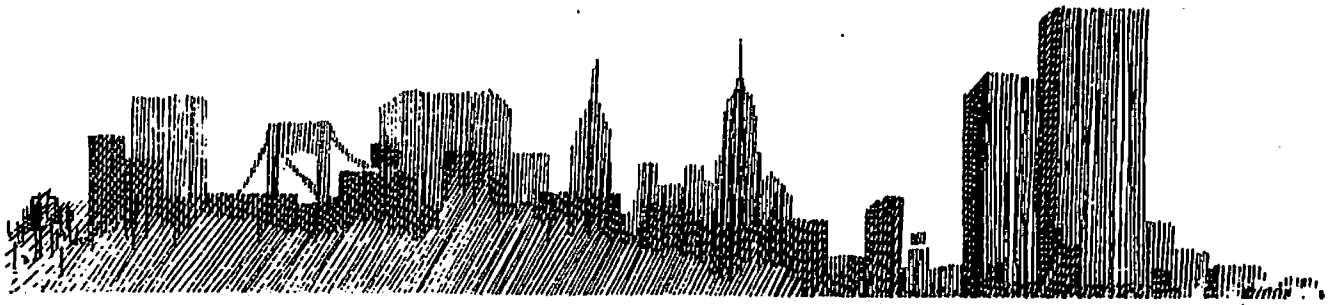
Quarterback is stronger than last year, because the coach's 6-foot, 188-pound sophomore son, Tim Salem has had a year of experience (81c, 887y) and because JC transfer Mike Hohensee (6-1, 190) gave him strong competition in spring practice. Bill Swats and Greg Olson also return, along with transfer Bruce Olson.

Flanker/leading receiver Chester Cooper (14r, 210y) and tight end Mike Curtis (13r, 144y) are back for another year, with either Ron Weckbacker, a 1980 reserve, or converted quarterback Dwayne McMullen at split end. Ken Hughes also helps the receiving corps.

Minnesota's strength is a veteran offensive line, potentially a saving grace for the rebuilt backfield. "I thought we had a pretty good line last year and they're all back," Salem says. The anchor of that unit is tackle Ken Dallafior (6-4, 274). Salem contends "he's a bona fide All-America: big, strong, good feet, good quickness." He'll have a new tackle partner in Wally Kersten (6-6, 285), a JC transfer last year who failed to letter but improved in spring drills. Also a candidate is Mark Vonderhaar (6-5, 239), a sophomore who successfully made the switch from defense. Bill Humphries (6-3, 246) and Todd Hallstrom (6-6, 242) resume at guard, along with part-time starter Eric Peterson (6-4, 240) and Ed Olson (6-3, 245), who will be the center.

Minnesota's defense returns eight starters from a platoon that finished fourth in fewest yards yielded in the conference, although seventh in scoring defense. Salem feels good about it going into 1981. Roverback Mike Robb (6-2, 198) is another Gopher who might attract Big Ten honors. He led the team in tackles last year (133) and had Salem saying "outstanding" after spring performances. Jim Fahnhorst (6-4, 224) and Glenn Howard (6-1, 217) represent a first-rate linebacking tandem, after ranking two-three in tackles with 130 and 126, respectively.

Tackle is adequately stocked, with starters Kevin Kellin (6-6, 244) and Steve Bisch (6-5, 258) backed by experienced reserves Brent Harms, Reno Capo, and John Wood. Fred Orgas (6-4, 217) is a holdover regular at one end and the open spot is still being fought between backup Anthony Davis (6-1, 209) and another of the JC grads, Jimmie James (6-1, 220). James gave in-



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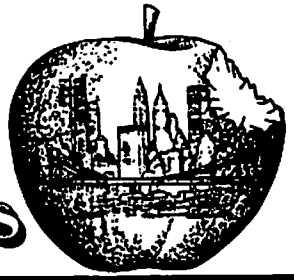
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dications last spring of being a real prospect.

Rick Waitthus (6-3, 196) will be back at strong safety, teaming with Robb and two sophomore backups, Andre Harris and Glen Cardelli, for a high-potential secondary. Rounding out the defense will be Glen Cieslewki (6-2, 224), who started last year as a freshman at what Salem calls the X-back.

"Our punting game was horrible last year," he winces. "The worst in the country. Besides not kicking very far (31.3 average), we wound up getting five punts blocked." Incoming freshman might help, but holdovers Gregg Smith and Steve Edling are still the chief hopes.

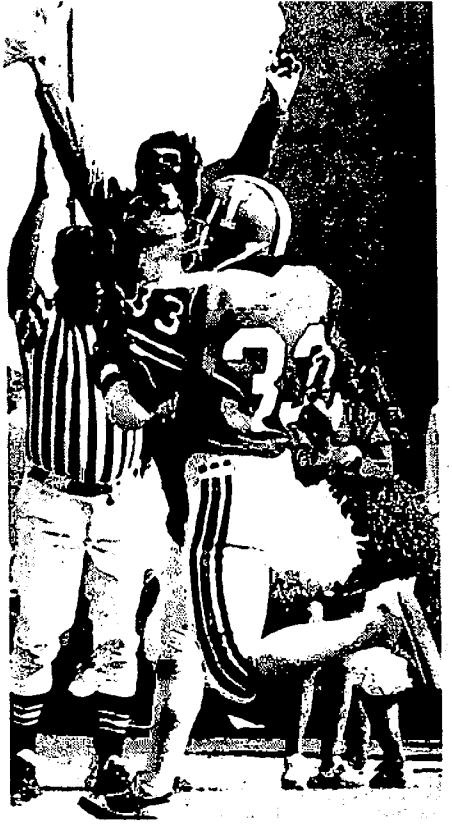
Minnesota put together three straight wins in late season to start dreaming of a 7-4 record last fall, but dropped its last two. Salem is optimistic despite the departure of two super runners that the standing will be improved (fifth) for reasons other than those already mentioned. "We know a lot more about this team, with so many back," he explains. "Our schedule is much better. We don't play Southern Cal and we don't play Ohio State the second game. And we play seven home games (six last year)."



ILLINOIS

(3-7-1, 3-5) Mike White is doing his bit to counter the migration of Midwesterners to California. Champaign, Ill., without a beach, or ocean, or a palm tree, has lured an unprecedented number of athletic young men from the sunny Pacific shores. White, a Californian himself, will have approximately 25 junior-college transfers—about 18 from California—on his second Illinois squad this fall. That's far more than anybody else in the Big Ten. Ever.

It's part of a game plan. White is opting for a quick shot at rebuilding Illini football fortunes.



Fullback John Minoo (above), free safety Steve Mitchell (#1 left), and TE Bob Stephenson (#84) of Indiana

The JC's have only two years of eligibility, contrasted to four for high school grads, but they're two years more mature and have had two extra years of field experience. Theoretically, they should contribute much sooner. White had a dozen of his latest JC recruits in spring practice and six, maybe even eight, have a chance to wind up starters this fall.

Quarterback Dave Wilson gave the junior-college transfer trend in the Big Ten its biggest boost last season. He stirred up a storm on the field with his passing—3,154 yards and 19 TD's—in his first year and also stirred up a storm in the league's council chambers. Big Ten faculty representatives— the ruling body—declared Wilson ineligible, but he went to court, got an injunction against the Big Ten ban, and led the Illini in all 11 games. His windmill arm—and reliable pass-catching by teammates—punished opponents' nervous systems, excited crowds, and inspired the media. In the final five games, the 6-3, 205-pound Californian loosed a barrage of 58, 53, 59, 69, and 41 passes for 425, 318, 310, 621, and 403 yards. But all five were Illinois losses, albeit respectable efforts and the last three near-misses.

White doesn't know as this is written whether or not he will have Wilson this fall, but, either way, he ended spring practice with two convictions: that the JC's are going to make Illinois stronger and that the aerial circus is out.

"We hope to run more, even with Dave," he explains. "We got ridiculous with the forward pass last year. The last few games we averaged over 50 passes a game and that's not our style. We'd like to run the ball twice for every time we throw. Last year it was about 10-1 in favor of passing (actually 377 runs to 471 passes). With or without Dave, we have to balance it up or we won't be a good football team."

If Wilson isn't back, White still thinks quarterback will be a solid position. Tony Eason (6-4, 205) came from California JC football last year with Wilson, but was red-shirted. "He lacks experience, but he's a big, strong quarterback," says White and some claim actually as good a passing prospect as Wilson.

Last year's top freshman, Chris Jenner (6-3, 230), is coming off knee surgery but is a factor, and two JC's, Genet Wallace and Jack Trudeau, are rated strong backups.

Obviously, we won't be as strong at quarterback (without Wilson)," White agrees, "because Dave is one of the finest I've ever coached and we've had some good ones."

Achieving the desired run-pass ratio should be helped by the rushing talent available. JC grad Darryl Smith (5-11, 180) had Illinois scrimmage watchers excited last spring with his elusive running from tailback, and Freddie Myles (from Florida), reporting this fall, was rated next to Herschel Walker among high school grid grads on some 1980 recruiting lists. Squadman Vince Brookins had a standout spring practice. All three runners feature speed and cleverness. Cal Thomas (271y), No. 2 Illini rusher, returns at fullback.

Receivers John Lopez (32r, 448y) and Mike Martin (31r, 555y), are back and joined by JC transfer Oliver Williams (6-3, 180), who also rated spring practice raves. "One of the truly outstanding receivers we've recruited, a big guy," White says.

Tight end isn't that set. Bonji Bonner, a converted defensive back, Tim McAvoy, a converted quarterback, and Mike DeOliver, Eason's junior-college teammate, worked there last spring, but great things are expected from Florida recruit Rich Siler (6-4, 240).

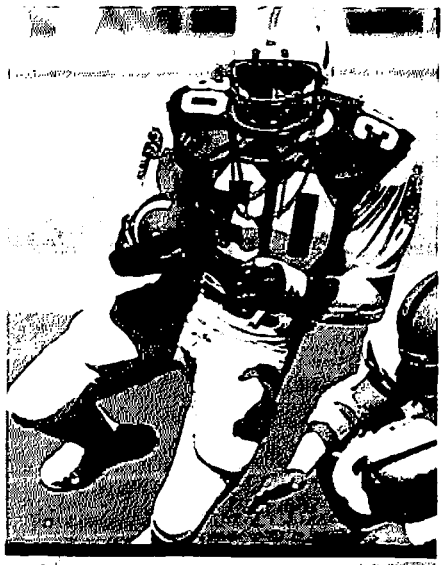
Part of the success of Illinois' passing last year was good protection. The line has some uncertainties, including the status of tackle Tim Norman (6-6, 256), who could be a standout. Greg Boeke (6-5, 240) returns at center and regular Mike Carrington (6-2, 240) at guard. Last year's high-rated, but injury red-shirted Troy McMillan (6-3, 240) will be the other guard, with Dennis Flynn (6-4, 252), converted from defense, or sophs Bob Stowe (6-4, 255) or Jimmy Covington (6-5, 240) the tackles.

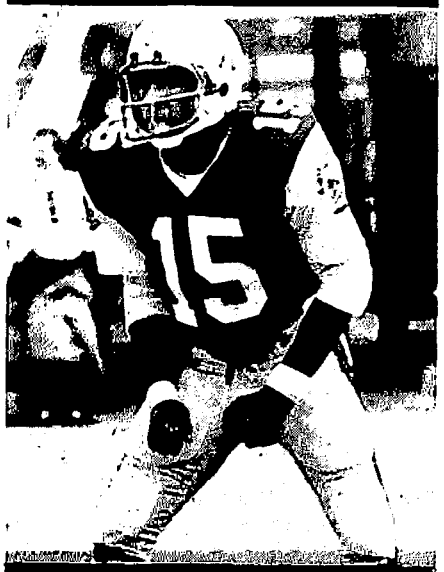
Illinois scored 241 points and gained 4,273 yards in 1980, but gave up 326 and 4,255. White has reason to believe that balance also can be tilted much more the Illini's way. Again, transfers will be a factor. Dennis Bishop and Charles Armstead are rated "outstanding cornerbacks," although holdover regulars Rick George and Dave Edwards are due back this fall after surgery.

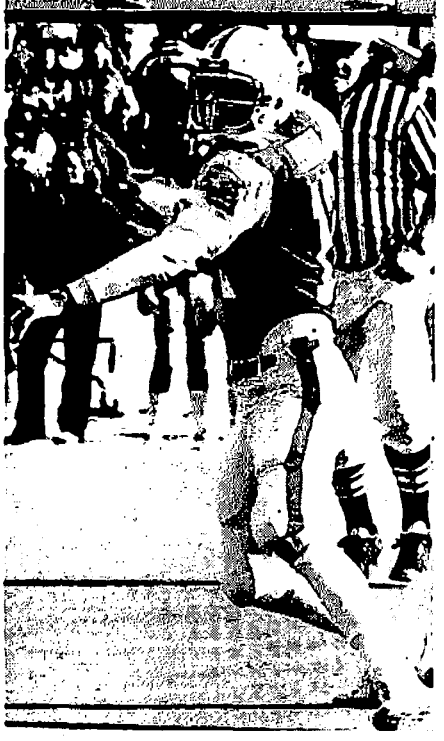
JC Vince Osby is a leading strong-safety candidate; JC Darryl Byrd has looked good at linebacker; JC John Janata is a possible starter at end; Chris Pack (6-6, 270), a JC All-America, and Willie Young, 24-year-old Army vet, are pushing regulars Dave Dwyer (6-3, 255) and Mark Butkus (6-4, 242) at tackle. End Dan Gregus (6-5, 244), linebackers Jack Squirek (6-3, 235) and Kelvin Atkins (6-3, 225) are solid holdovers from 1980. The Illini didn't need a JC kicker, because Mike Bass came on strong last year (24/25) PAT's; 7/11 FG's).

The effect of the Big Ten's probation on Illinois' on-field success is impossible to guess. Chances are it will hurt the athletic department budget most. A bowl game was only a fond, but far-away dream for the Illini anyway.

Running back Jeff Cohn (top right), free safety Bobby Anderson (#15), and QB Mike Kerrigan







INDIANA

(6-5, 3-5) Lee Corso has posted goals for his ninth season at Bloomington. "First, we've always said we want to go to the Rose Bowl," he explains. "If we can't go to the Rose Bowl, we like to win more games than we lose. The more you can win after that is a bonus. The more games you win, the warmer it gets in December." A specific goal for 1981 relates to the latter.

"There haven't been three consecutive winning seasons at Indiana since 1947," Corso points out. "Obviously, that's one of our objectives." The Hoosiers finished 8-4—including a Holiday Bowl win—and fourth in the Big Ten in 1979, before slipping to sixth last year. Corso's first goal is highly unlikely and even the second will take some doing, considering the massive rebuilding project on offense. Also considering the quality of graduated talent. Only two regulars are scheduled back, among 14 lettermen, and one of them suffered a bad back in spring practice that may be worrisome. Departees accounted for approximately 2,000 of Indiana's 2,279 rushing yards, 1,397 of 1,665 passing yards, and about three-fourths of the pass receptions.

Fortunately for the Hoosiers, the defense couldn't be more settled, with 10 starters among 21 lettermen. Defense will have to carry the burden at least until the offense can come together. Indiana's defense ranked eighth in total yardage yielded and sixth in scoring prevention. Which suggests considerable room for improvement. If Tim Wilbur, the big-play cornerback, isn't available, three DB's are: Steve Mitchell at free safety, Dart Ramsey at strong safety, and Mike Pendleton at the other corner. Marc Longshore, who would replace Wilbur, was injured in the 1980 opener and red-shirted. He came back strong in the spring.

The university's athletic department said after the finish of the 1980-81 school year that it was "unlikely" Wilbur, twice All-Big Ten and an All-America candidate, would be with the team in 1981 because of classroom difficulties.

Linebacking is another sound position. All-Big Ten Marlin Evans (6-2, 210) and Craig Walls (6-1, 210), the team's tackle leader (121), should resume their regular assignments unless Evans's spring-practice foot injury lingers. In his absence, JC transfer Ralph Caldwell (6-3, 235) "played very well," according to Corso. He could be a threat for a starting job. Experienced help is plentiful up front, too. Craig Kumerow (6-3, 222) and Jimmy Hunter started at end last year and Dennis Edwards (6-2, 209), a sophomore, showed considerable improvement in spring workouts. Denver Smith (5-11, 255) locked up middle guard. Thus, Marty Young (6-1, 256), 1979 middle guard starter, but out the remainder of the season with an operation, switches to tackle, where starters Rod Walden (6-6, 258) and Greg Brown (6-2, 238) and part-time starter Mark Smythe (6-3, 240) are competing.

Replacing quarterback Tim Clifford, who set passing and total offense records in three years as a regular, is an offensive concern. Chad Huck, backup to Clifford for two seasons, and JC transfer Babe Laufenberg go into the fall about even, with the job still to be won. Huck (6-2, 195) played sparingly last season (21c, 268y); Laufenberg, once a freshman at Stanford, developed quickly in spring practice. Steve Bradley (6-4, 208) is a highly-regarded incoming freshman, but more likely to share backup with veteran Mark Sutor.

Indiana needs help in the rushing department, with the school's all-time leader, Mike Harkrader, and last year's No. 2 Big Ten runner, Lonnie Johnson, gone. Sophomore Johnnie Salters (6-2, 215), who played briefly last year (105y, in nine carries), took over at tailback in the spring and could be a surprise. Two freshmen, Tim Hines and Chuck Howard, both high school all-staters, might be a factor. The position is uncertain. Fullback is set, however, with John Mineo (158y), a 5-10, 205-pounder who started three games last year and continued steady play last spring.

Tight end Bob Stephenson (6-3, 238) is the only receiver returning from the top seven of 1980, but he's a noteworthy presence (26r, 337y). "We haven't seen a better one," says Corso. Backup Doug Swafford (6-4, 208) had a good spring, as did all of the split ends, John Boyd, Greg Brooks, and Len Kenebrew, who broke a wrist last year after a promising start. Dave Weir, a part-time starter, and senior Al Christy are flankers.

The offensive line was Corso's No. 1 concern and isn't settled yet. Tackle Chuck Gannon (6-5, 262) is the only holdover starter (as a guard) and he was handicapped last spring by a bad back. Mark Rodriguez (6-1, 265), switched from defense, is the likely other tackle. George Gianakopoulos (6-2, 250), also from the defense, will be one guard, Jim Sakanich (6-1, 244) the other, and Doug Mills (6-2, 236) or Jeff Wiebel (6-2, 218), if his knee is o.k., at center.

Soph Don Geisler, last year's punter (39.8), will add place-kicking to his duties this fall.

Indiana will have to grow in a hurry, meeting Southern Cal the second week and Michigan the fourth.

MICHIGAN STATE

(3-8, 2-6) Muddy Waters surveyed his second spring practice with the Spartans and decided, "We're a heck of a lot farther along than last year." That probably goes for MSU's 1981 prospects as well. Waters has now been through one season in the "big time," after 26 years at Hillsdale College and Saginaw Valley, and has had a full shot at recruiting—with more than modest success, it's believed.

Unfortunately, he didn't get through his first campaign at the old alma mater without some criticism of his variety-store offense and defense, his coaching philosophy, and, of course, a 1-7 start. Not to mention a 41-0 lathering by Iowa in the home season finale. But things could be looking up, with 41 lettermen including eight regulars on offense and eight on defense—several quick-help junior-college transfers, and a number of potentials among the freshmen and Derek Hughes's return.

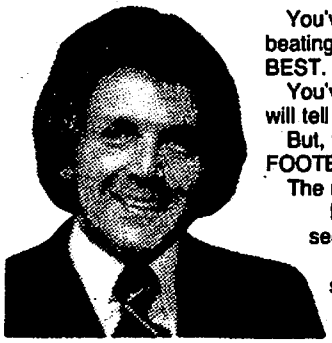
Michigan State was one of the throwingest teams in the Big Ten last year and could be again, because John Leister resumes at quarterback. He took over as a freshman early in1980 and wound up No. 6 in the conference (103c, 1,559y, 10 TD's). He should be among the top two or three this fall.

"We started to move," recalls Waters, "when we got Leister rolling out, because he has the ability to run away from rushers. He's a good runner, as well as passer." That the 6-3, 191-pound recruit from Great Falls, Montana, is also a leader should be attested by his election as co-captain as a sophomore—a college rarity. For all his mobility, Leister is considered a better dropback passer. The question mark is

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protection, because the receivers are available. The passing game is going to be the No. 1 weapon, if MSU can get the protection. Split end Ted Jones (6-1, 180) was sixth in the Big Ten (40r, 568y) and had a good spring, as did understudy Daryl Turner (11r, 236y). Tight end Al Kimichik (20r, 230y) and flanker Otis Grant (13r, 291y) also return.

The Spartans' ground proved anemic last season (1,407y), even with the school's all-time career rushing record-holder, Steve Smith. One reason was the loss of fullback Hughes, a 6-3, 208-pounder who doubles as a dash man for the MSU track team. Hughes underwent surgery after the second game. He didn't participate in spring football, but ran a 4.4 for the 40 in a track trial. Waters is counting on him.

Incumbent fullback is Tony Ellis, a 6-1, 210-pounder who became a regular late last season (382y). James Hodo, a 5-9, 184-pound junior, "looked great" in Waters's estimation and wound up drills as No. 1 tailback. He'll be challenged by Lance Hawkins (6-1, 208), a high school All-America who transferred from junior college and had an outstanding spring, and freshman Aaron Roberts (6-1, 185), rated one of the top recruits in the country.

But the passing and running need help up front and Waters isn't sure he has the answers. JC transfer Jim Bob Lamb (6-6, 275) came along fast at tackle last spring and could be a major addition, pairing with returning starter Jeff Wiska (6-5, 245). Tom Piette (6-4, 248) is "one of our most underrated players, a very fine center" and Marv Mantos (6-4, 256) is a holdover guard regular. The remainder of the line is to be settled this fall.

Waters has plenty of experience on defense, but room for improvement. MSU was eighth in the Big Ten against scoring and ninth in total defense. He considers linebacker the strength. George Cooper (6-2, 208) and Terry Bailey (6-4, 232) were last year's regulars, junior Steve Maidlow (6-3, 225) had an outstanding spring at the inside spot, sophomore Carl Banks (6-4, 218) improved enough to figure, and Howard McAdoo (6-2, 234) earned consideration at LB or defensive end. Waters rates Smiley Creswell (6-4, 226) one of the best at tackle, where Johnny Lee Haynes (6-1, 232) is a 1980 starter, as is Joe Stevens (6-4, 228) at end.

The MSU secondary also holds high promise, with the prospect of Jim Burroughs's return. The 6-1, 192-pound junior missed last year, but Waters believes he can be "one of the best in the country. Having him back would be a big boost." Tom Morris, last year's leading tackler (114) at free safety, Tim Cunningham, and Chris Van Pelt are returning starters. Nate Hannah, a sophomore, also figures.

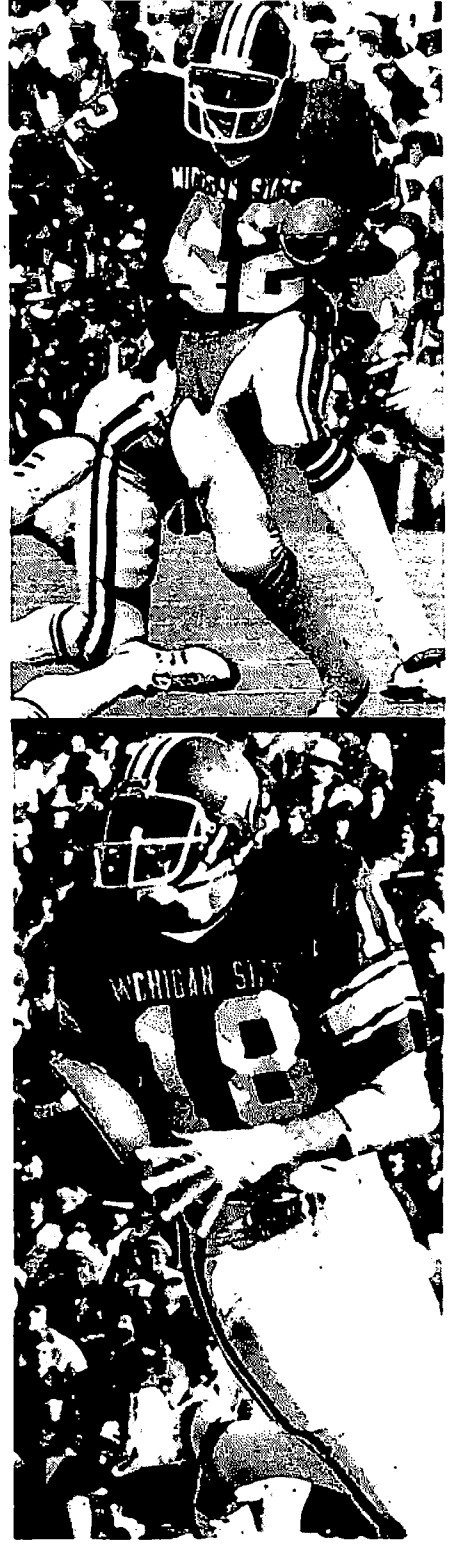
The Spartans have one of the nation's better place-kickers in Morten Andersen, the Danish import who has connected on 30 of 52 FG's and 98 of 101 PAT's. But gone is Ray Stachowicz, the All-America punter, and no notable successor is yet developed.

MSU's schedule is frightening: Illinois, at Ohio State, then a week later at Notre Dame, and the next week Michigan.

NORTHWESTERN

(0-11, 0-9) Denny Green is the second 31-year-old in four years to tackle the challenge of converting the Mildcats into Wildcats. He succeeds Rick Venturi, who had three seasons of frustration terminated last December.

It must have something to do with the indomitable spirit of youth, or maybe the natural confidence that you can succeed where others have failed. Venturi plunged into the battle with enthusiasm. Green's approach is calmer, but with equal conviction that all will be better eventually. The realities are sobering. Northwestern's record over the last five years is 3-51-1; in the Big Ten 2-41-1, each year a last-place finish. The 1980 Wildcats edged Wisconsin for ninth place in Big Ten total offense and scoring, but languished in last place in total defense by more than 800 yards and in scoring by 131 points. What does a new coach tell his squad, in face of that history?



Tailback Derek Hughes (top) and QB John Leister of Michigan State

"The thing I want our players to understand," says University of Iowa grad Green, "is that only four teams in the Big Ten had winning records last year. I don't really think we're that far behind a lot of other people in the conference." Green served as backfield coach at Stanford under Bill Walsh, then followed Walsh to the San Francisco 49ers as receiver coach. He returned to Stanford last year as offensive coordinator. He knows about passing and he promises that Northwestern is going to throw.

He believes he has the weapons necessary to make the air game work. Senior Mike Kerrigan (6-3, 190), a starter at quarterback for two years, finished eighth in Big Ten passing in 1980 and accounted for 1,816 yards on 173 completions (337 attempts) and 12 of NU's 20 TD's. Green liked what he saw of Kerrigan in spring drills. Leading receiver Todd Sheets has gone, but Green feels that speedy sophomores Tod Jenkins (6-3, 195) and Randall Sconyers (6-4, 193) will provide the excellent wide threat and that big tight ends Chris Hinton (6-4, 240) and Steve Kaiser (6-6, 225) will worry the defense inside. Split end Dave Bahoric also figures in this department. Kerrigan will throw to the backs, as he did last year.

Green won't disregard the ground game, where Jeff Cohn, last year's rushing leader, returns (503y). Backup tailback Ricky Edwards will also be back, but, on the basis of spring performances, may give way to sophomore Tracy Parsons. Dave Callaway (6-3, 225), a 1979 fullback starter, and sophomore Jim Brown (6-2, 210 are competing for that assignment, with Mark Ignatowicz (6-0, 212) also available.

Kelby Brown (6-4, 245) at guard, Bob Pratt (6-5, 245) at tackle, and Rob Taylor (6-6, 260) are returning regulars in the offensive line. Green predicts Taylor, switching from guard to tackle, "will show he's a pro prospect." Lettermen Jim Crowder (6-4, 227) and Jack Kreider (6-4, 230) will get first call at the open guard and center assignments, respectively.

Northwestern's defensive unit lists six 1980 regulars, including its outstanding player. Free safety Bobby Anderson (5-11, 184) led the team in tackles last year (113) and rated second-team All-Big Ten (AP). Other regulars counted on for continued help this fall include Richard Moore (6-5, 225) and Terry Harrell (6-3, 235) at tackle, Chris Capstran (6-4, 215) at outside linebacker, Percy Holden and Greg Washington at cornerbacks. In the shuffling under a new regime, Moore switched to right tackle and senior Bill Gildner (6-5, 245) took over Moore's old spot. Harrell then moved to noseguard. Sophomore Ken Gregory (6-3, 200) edged ahead of Capstran in spring practice. The surprise of the offseason workouts was Rich Raffin (6-3, 200), a converted tight end who became the No. 1 inside linebacker, along with Tom Epich (6-2, 210). Mike Guendling (6-4, 208) moved from strong safety and looked like a sure starter at outside linebacker. David Shaw joins Anderson, Holden, and Washington in the secondary.

Another Anderson is prominent in Northwestern's plans. Jay Anderson, kicked a school-record-tying seven field goals last year, plus 16 PAT's. Sophomore punter John Kidd averaged 38.7 yards on 63 boots.

Green feels good about his recruiting. He anticipates some immediate contribution from freshmen Kevin Brown, Jankeith Gatewood (DB's), James Harding (TE), Keith Cruise (DT), and Ralph Jackson (TE).

Gerry Faust gets his Irish up for big year

If history doesn't actually repeat itself, the normal course of events does produce some delightful coincidences. Exactly 40 years ago, Ohio State defied tradition by entrusting its head football coaching position to a high school coach. ("Name" coaches, or at least college assistants, ALWAYS were chosen by the major football powers.) But Paul Brown was no ordinary high school coach. His Massillon (Ohio) teams had amassed an 81-8-1 record during his nine years, 58-1-1 in the last six, with a 30-game winning streak. They'd been voted state champions (polls) eight straight years.

"This is the only job I ever really wanted," Brown confided as he arrived at Ohio State in 1941. His 1942 team won the school's first national championship. He had founded a budding dynasty. But World War II changed everything. Brown enlisted in the Navy, chose to organize the Cleveland Browns, and became perhaps pro football's greatest coach.



Now, in 1981, Notre Dame has entrusted its hallowed football program to another Ohio high school coach, also still against tradition. But Gerry Faust was no ordinary high school coach either. He created football at the then new Moeller high school in suburban Cincinnati in 1960, although the parochial boys school didn't field a varsity team until 1963.

From then, until he departed for Notre Dame, Faust's teams posted a 174-17-2 record; won 90 of their last 93, 70 or 71, and were state champions five of the last six years (in on-field playoffs).

"It was the only place I ever would have left Moeller for," said the 45-year-old Faust as he accepted the Notre Dame job for which he officially had applied four years before. He recalled the depth of his from-afar love affair with Fighting Irish football: "When I was in the fifth grade, I used to sing the Notre Dame fight song as I rode my bicycle home from CYO football practice." Like Brown, he had realized a dream. And he found waking to reality more exciting than the dream.

"I thought it (Notre Dame) was a great place before I came here," he recalls in a voice slightly hoarse and raspy from 18 years of shouting during football practices and games. "But it's greater than I even expected. I know we're on a honeymoon, but it's just a phenomenal place."

Starting September 12, and continuing through 11 weeks as rugged as any college coach will be asked to face, the dream undergoes the test of harsh reality: can Faust vault from high school to college football's hottest seat? Will the philosophy, techniques, work ethics, personal dedication, and religious fervor pass the test of college football's most pressurized situation as they did at Moeller high school?

Brown, who lives not many miles from Moeller, considers Faust's chances of making the transition "excellent. I don't know why he wouldn't (make it). He has high principles in what he demands and you start from there. The basic things apply at any level."

Growing legions are pulling for Faust. This human whirlwind, a gregarious, backslapping, bearhugging extrovert who simply loves people, has taken Notre Dame by storm.

Faust's boundless energy, genuine desire to please, and stout adherence to the "be yourself" principle have impressed Notre Dame officials accustomed to people of boundless energy and desire to please.

The six Moeller grads on the 1980 Notre Dame squad—it will be nine this fall—have no reservations. Their recommendations reportedly weighed heavily when the Reverend Edmund P. Joyce, Notre Dame's executive vice-president, went looking for a successor to retiring Dan Devine.

"He's just perfect for the job, an emotional, enthusiastic type of guy," was the reaction of WB Tony Hunter, an ex-Moeller star. The sentiment represented a consensus of the ND squad after spring practice and seven months of the Faust era.

Moeller products already knew about Faust's practice fervor. It didn't surprise them that he abandoned the mobile tower from which previous Notre Dame coaches had observed workouts. He needed to be down there mingling with his people. They also were aware of Faust's deep religious conviction. He once said Moeller probably was the "prayingest team in football." He is a devout Catholic, but he makes sure not to "shove it down the throats" of players of other persuasions. Faust's attraction to, and compatibility with, Notre Dame has much to do with the combination of an academic and religious atmosphere. Moeller players know about Faust's rules, which haven't basically changed in the jump to a level where players are more mature and worldly. He calls it "discipline with compassion." He's strong on having a squad of "quality kids," a phrase made famous by Woody Hayes.

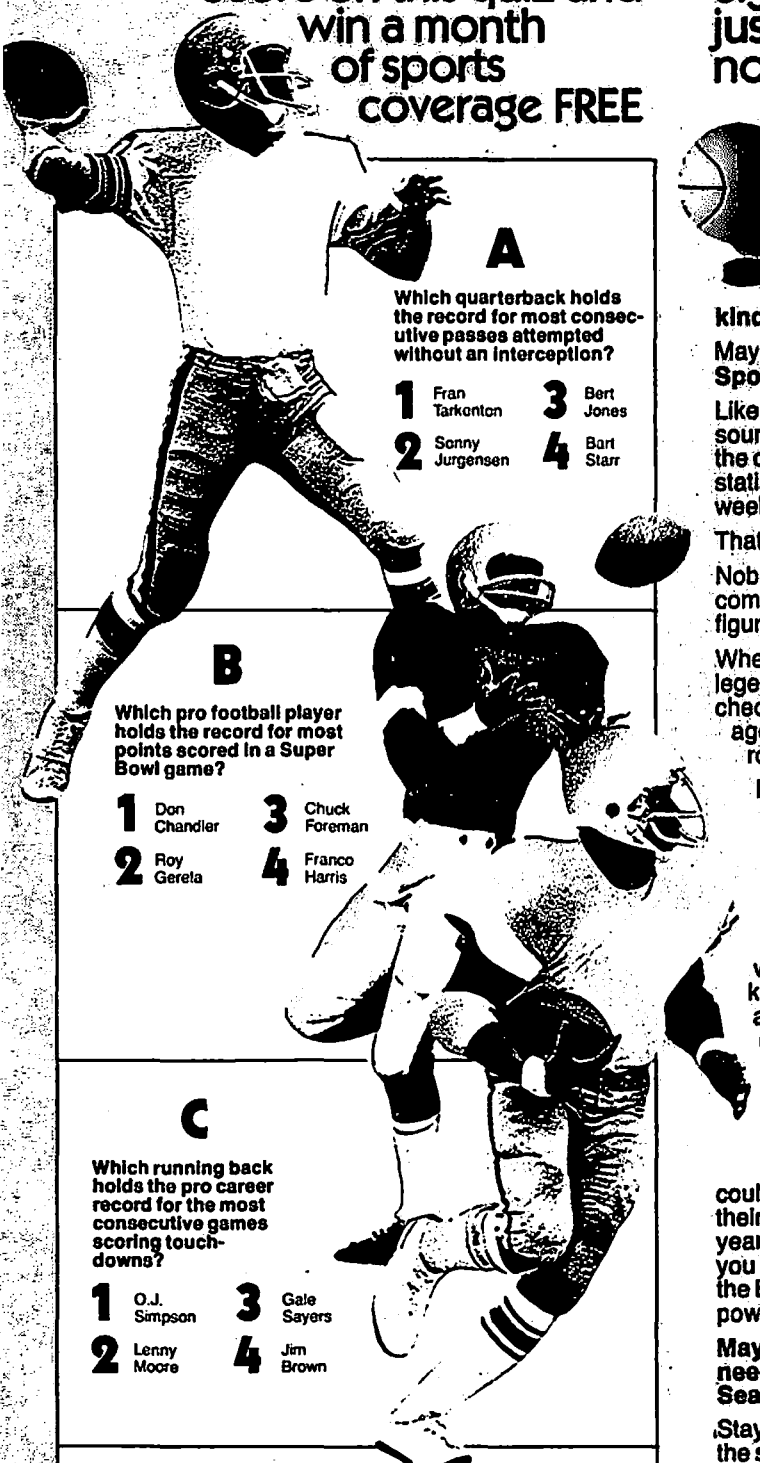
Faust demonstrated how far he's willing to go during the last recruiting campaign, his first and one hailed as highly successful. During his visit to the home of a high school star he wanted to sign, Faust found the hi-fi blaring. "His mom went over to turn it down," Faust relates, "and the kid pushed her gently and said, 'that's mine, don't touch it.' I gave him a gentle forearm in the ribs and told him 'you don't talk to your mother that way.' So we sat down and talked and both agreed Notre Dame wasn't the school for him."

Probably nobody is enjoying the new adventure at Notre Dame more than Faust, or worrying less about making it.

Following Faust's story and recalling his own, Brown says, "It's so similar it's scary. Meeting the squad for the first time, the student body, the faculty . . . walking on the practive field for the first time and the excitement of it, the exhilarating feeling of having the only job you've ever wanted . . ." It's called living a dream.

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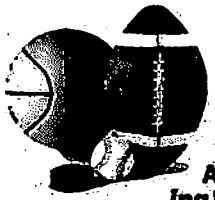
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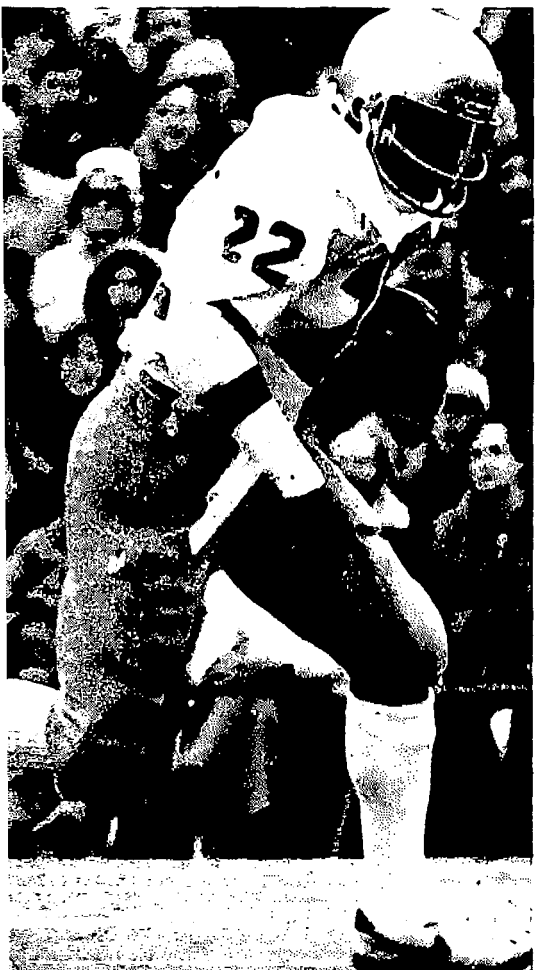
INDEPENDENTS

NOTRE DAME

(9-2-1) Eight regulars return from an offense that topped 20 points in each of its first seven games last year (7-0), but struggled from there. An equal number of starters resume on a defensive unit that finished fourth nationally in total defense and fifth against scoring—and strung together 23 quarters without yielding a TD. Twenty-three other Irish have earned letters, half a dozen of whom have started games.

Quarterback, where the offense begins, will go into this fall with an interesting competition still possible, Faust admits. Blair Kiel (6-1, 200) a former all-Indiana high school star, had a remarkable season. In his first varsity duty as a quarterback, he passed ND 46 yards in 37 seconds—from the shotgun formation—to set up a game-ending, game-winning field goal against Michigan. He engineered another winning rally the next week, against Michigan State, as a relief QB, then started the following nine games to log the most time by a freshman Irish quarterback since Gus Dorais in 1910. Kiel finished with 62 pass completions for 669 yards and added 148 net by rushing. His completion average was under .400, but he upped that in spring practice and the year of college competition sends him into 1981 as a much more mature and confident leader.

Though Kiel holds No. 1, Faust notes that Tim Koegel (6-4, 194) "really came on strong in the spring." Koegel missed 1980 with a neck injury and was granted an extra year. He was All-America for Faust at Moeller and as strictly a passer, may fit Faust's wide-open offense. Soph Scott Grooms (6-2, 193), another all-Ohioan (from Art Schlichter's high school), also improved in the spring and freshman Ken Karcher is highly rated.







Notre Dame is paced by WB Tony Hunter (top), LB Bob Crable (above), and TB Phil Carter (left)

The position should be strong, regardless of the rotation. Tailback, definitely is, with Phil Carter ready to blast and cut and speed again. The 5-10, 193-pound junior missed four games with an injury last season, but still gained 931 yards. He should be in line for national honors. Fullback, more a running position in Faust's system, has steady John Sweeney (6-2, 225), last year's regular (202y), and backup John Moriarty (6-2, 234) returning, but it also has Mark Brooks incoming. The latter (6-3, 218) led Faust's Moeller team to the state high school championship, gaining All-America in the process. Senior Ty Barber and sophomore Greg Bell also figure in the rushing game, as do recruits Chris Smith and Van Pearcy.

Faust's plans for an air attack are greatly enhanced by the receiving corps. Junior Tony Hunter (6-5, 215) switched from split end to wingback, where he'll start as part of a full-house backfield. Hunter, another Moeller product, showed Faust in spring drills that he can handle the new job. He was Notre Dame's deep threat last year (23r, 303y).

Tight end Dean Masztak (6-4, 227) missed most of 1980 with an injury (8r, 97y), but Faust has seen enough to suggest he's an All-America. Pete Buchanan (6-3, 220), who split time with Sweeney at fullback last fall, moved to tight end. Last year's backup, Mike Boushka (6-3, 195) steps in at split end, with Dave Condini (6-0, 180), also a Moeller grad, competing. Tom Tripp (6-3, 199), a two-game starter at split end, goes to wingback.

Irish followers fret about lack of depth in the offensive line, since only backups will be lettermen. But the first line is all veteran and should jell into another big, strong, effective blocking unit. Phil Pozderac (6-9, 260) and Mike Shiner (6-7, 250) were last year's tackle starters and Tom Thayer (6-5, 258) a guard regular. Shiner and Thayer switched places in the spring with success. Backup Randy Ellis (6-4, 251) moved up at guard and Larry Kissner (6-4, 235) at center, after understudying All-America John Scully. Converted tight end Mark Fischer (6-4, 220) and Barry Young (6-5, 228) also are still in consideration at center.

Nobody's wasting any time worrying about the Notre Dame defense, even though it lost All-America end Scott Zettek. The unit is two-deep in all positions and three in some. Linebacker is particularly wealthy. All three starters, Bob Crable in the middle and Mark Zavagnin and Joe Rudzinski on the outside, return. Crable (6-3, 222), still another Moeller grad, needs 126 tackles to break the all-time ND record. He's a leading All-America candidate. Zavagnin (6-2, 230), another possibility for postseason honors, was second to Crable in tackles last year and Rudzinski (6-3, 208), No. 4 tackler in 1980, had an outstanding spring. Right behind them—and all excellent players—are Rick Naylor (6-3, 210), sophomore from Moeller, John Rice (6-3, 205), and Jack Shields (6-3, 217). Tom Murphy, a walk-on, gained some attention last spring.

The ND secondary also boasts both quality and quantity. Cornerback John Krimm (6-2, 193) is a three-year starter, strong safety Dave Duerson (6-3, 198) a two-year regular, and Stacey Toran (6-4, 185) started the final ten games as a freshman last year and showed great promise. Rod Bone (6-2, 210) takes over the open job at free safety. That foursome has size, speed, and quickness. The Irish were 10th nationally in pass defense. Steve Cichy (6-2, 215) started the 1980 opener, then missed the remainder of the season with an injury. He was tried at linebacker last spring, but will go back to the secondary this fall. He'll join Chris Brown, who saw action last year as a fifth back, Mike Masini, sophomores Bumper Schiro and Daane Spielmaker in an impressive—and versatile—backup corps.

Faust has retained the Notre Dame defense, although changing position designations in the front four. He'll have a defensive end and three tackles. He'll also develop two complete lines, because he expects them to do a lot of pursuing in games and wants fresh troops. Pat Kramer (6-4, 251), a starting tackle last season, is now the first contain tackle, backed by sophomore Mike Liebenstein (6-5, 242). Letterman Jeff Lueken (6-5, 239) will also figure if he's recovered from last spring's knee surgery.

Starter Joe Gramke (6-4, 246) and Bob Clasby (6-5, 260) are still fighting for the nose-tackle spot, while Tim Marshall (6-4, 240), last year's outstanding freshman, will be the flip tackle, with Tom Bock (6-4, 247) a solid backup. Sophomores Mansel Carter (6-8, 225) and Chris Boerner (6-3, 225) are 1-2 at defensive end. Tony Belden (6-2, 221) is also an experienced candidate and converted linebacker Jon Autry (6-2, 220) could also bid for game time.

He didn't use a scholarship for a kicker or punter, with good reason. Harry Oliver, who started his left-footed, soccer-style kicking for



Tailback James Bettis of Cincinnati

Faust at Moeller, set a Notre Dame record last year with 18 FG's in 23 attempts, including his first six. He also added 19 PAT's. Oliver became an overnight sensation in the storybook-finish win over Michigan. He'd kicked once in a varsity game. His previous college action consisted of 27- and 38-yard efforts in a junior-varsity contest. With Michigan leading 27-26 and four seconds on the clock, Oliver booted a 51-yard field goal, against the wind—although it seemed to many the wind benevolently abated at that moment. Kiel proved his all-around prowess by averaging 40.1 yards on 66 punts.

Notre Dame once was criticized for playing so-so schedules. But no more. Before retiring, athletic director Moose Krause lined up about the best—and most demanding—schedule in the country. ND starts with LSU, followed by Michigan and Purdue (both on the road), Michigan State, Florida State, and Southern Cal and with Penn State in the 10th week.

And the Irish face that with a rookie coach.

DAYTON

(14-0) New coach Mike Kelly has seven offensive and five defensive starters from a team that obliterated Ithaca, 63-0, in the division III national championship game. Jon Vorpe (10c, 200y passing; 122y rushing; 6 TD's) will be the QB (he scored the last two TD's in 28-24 comeback vs. Widener; two TD's vs. Ithaca); Greg Bazany (350y) the RB (also tough in the playoffs); Chris Pappas (136y) the FB, joining returning regulars Breese Roller (SE, 7r, 126y), Fred Domicone, Larry Armstrong (T's), Joe Beck (G), Mike Howard (C), Kirk Ambrose (TE), Rick Haynes (FL). Also back is Dave Terkoski (FL, 9r, 155y). The defense rebuilds around division III All-America Chris Chaney (E), Mark Hufford (LB), Jim Pearson (MG), Fred Proesel (T), and Rick Callinan (E). Clay Robinson and Nick Cugliari (CB's) are the top prospects for a secondary (didn't yield air TD in 14 games) wiped out by graduation. Jim Brunswick, Mike Jones (OT's), and Joe Drobnich (DT) also figure as replacements. The Flyers should land high among division III powers again.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN

(9-2) Bill Rademacher's team lost in the NCAA division II quarterfinals last year. It also was the finale for QB Phil Kessel, who helped NMU to No. 1 in division II passing. Tom Bertoldi is the hope for 1981, assuming command of an offense that includes WR Scott Sible (50r, 799y) and RB George Works (401y). John Casanova (TE) and Bill Coon (C) are line standouts. The defense will be rebuilt on solid returnees Curt Wojan (MG), Reggie Oliver, Jim Szczepaniuk (LB's), Pete Raeford, and Tom Taylor (DB's).

CINCINNATI

(2-9) New coach Mike Gottfried starts a hoped-for rebuilding with ten regulars on offense and eight on defense returning from a squad 4-18 in the last two years. He also inherited a schedule calling for road games at Penn State and Pittsburgh the second and third weeks.

Transfers, JC grads, a healthy Allen Harvin, and enthusiasm accompanying a new regime are principal causes for optimism. The offense —multiple-I—is strong in skilled areas, with QB Danny Barrett (73c, 888y), TB James Bettis (1,106y), SE Ralph Williams (34r, 418y), and TE Bo Green (22r, 249y) returning. Harvin, the school record-setter as a freshman (1,284y), has been troubled for two years by knee miseries. James Owens, the second-leading passer in JC ranks last year, will challenge at QB; 6-3, 230 Hobson Milner, a transfer, at FB.

Pro prospect Kari Yli-Renko (T) and Joe Caleca (G) are top line holdovers, but Bill Thomas (T, 6-7, 283), a transfer from Ohio State, and JC product George Warhop (C) figure as starters.

Gottfried's wide-tackle-six defense caused position switching for Mike Gates and Mike Louis (LB's to T) and Joe Oldring (T to G). Linwood Marshall, another OSU transfer, Duane Stacklin (LB's), David Gilyard (E), another JC standout, and Ben Hailey (CB) are other strong prospects to beef up a defense that yielded a 356-yard average total gain.

MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL MICHIGAN

(9-2, 7-2) Herb Deromedi, 24-4-1 on the record and 2-1-1 in MAC finishes, has some parts to replace for his fourth CMU season. The defense lost six starters, including three All-MACs, from a unit ranked No. 1 against scoring last year.

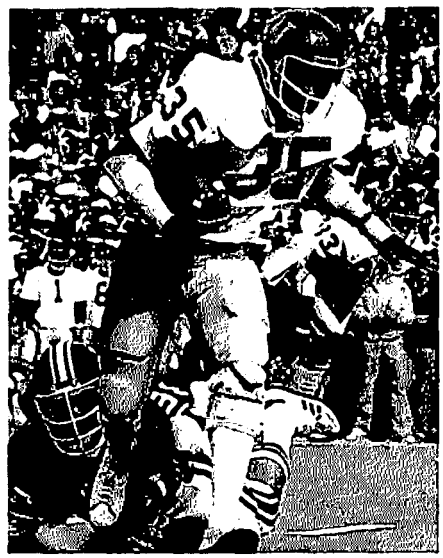
The Chippewas slot-I/pro-set offense looks impressive enough to take some pressure off the rebuilding defense. The QB will be unproven, but Stephen Jones, last year's little-used backup, is considered capable of handling the job. He's a good runner (174 yards), but must show what he can do as a passer (3 completions, 20 yards).

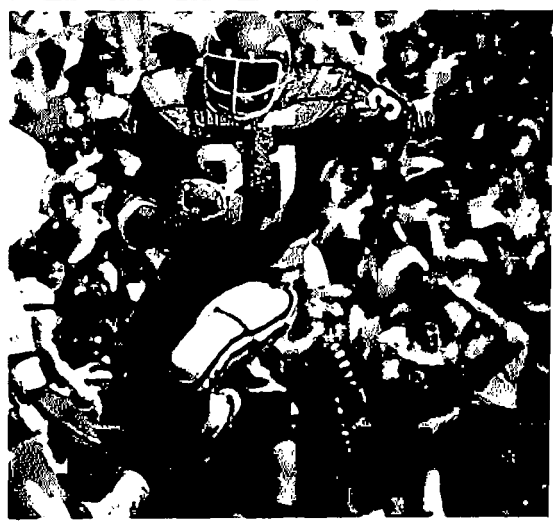
Running is already a CMU strength, with FB Willie Todd (695 yards, 8 TD's), a 6-1, 225-pound big-leaguer, and swift TB Reggie Mitchell (397 yards) backed by promising Mark Birnbaum (266 yards) and Labron Oldham. TE Mike Hirn (22 receptions, 388 yards), WB Willie Heard, and SE Craig Fields return to provide the new QB with excellent targets.

Guards Joe Maiorana, first-team All-MAC, and Tony Vitale and center Tim Cosgrove provide a strong, experienced midline, with center Paul Fate, a 1979 starter who sat out 1980 with an injury, adding depth. Both tackles will be new, probably reserve Steve Koller, Mark Polenz (from TE), or Keith Kanicki (from C).

Dave Lewis (MG) is the lone holdover up front from Deromedi's 1980 defensive unit, but he's supported solidly by starters Bret Hyble and Ray Bentley (LB) and proven backup Jon Kitts. One could switch to OLB, where Dan O'Brien and Greg Housner are inexperienced. Lettermen Mike Godfrey and Jim Carper (DT) figure to complete the line.

The secondary starts with regulars Mike McElrath and Brian Billops, but Bruce Brownie and Ross Rocheleau have been part-time





Craig Morrow of Western Michigan (top); Willie Todd of C. Michigan

starters and Mark Skrocki is a three-letterman who missed 1980. Also, Mike Kenealy, an all-state freshman, could figure.

Deromedi has no worries about a kicker since Novo Bojovic (18 PAT's, 6 FG's) returns, but he does fret about the schedule. The Chippewas play their chief challengers on the road, where both 1980 losses came.

WESTERN MICHIGAN

(7-4, 6-3) The Broncos had their best finish since 1966 last year. How successfully Elliott Uzelac replaces five All-MAC players and the health of QB Tom George will determine whether that pace can be equaled, or bettered.

George (59 completions, 644 yards, 5 TD's) appeared healed from a late-1980 knee injury.

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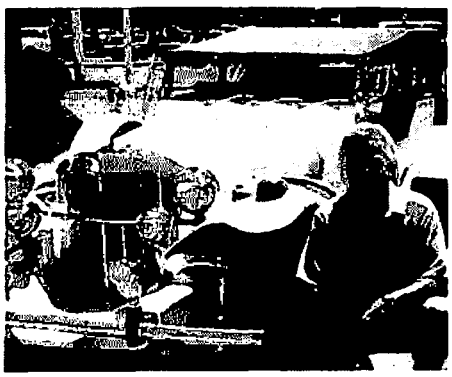
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In fact, he moved so well that backup Jeff Holly was switched to defense. Eight other offensive spots belong to holdovers, topped by TB Craig Morrow (778 yards), second-team All-MAC and No. 2 MAC rusher. WB Reggie Hinton (29 receptions, 429 yards), the MAC punt-return leader, and SE Bob Phillips (25 catches for 380 yards) represent top-flight targets.

Larry Caper (598 yards), 1979 league rushing leader, gives Uzelac unusually strong depth at TB, but neither Kurt Barterian nor Paul Price are experienced at FB. The middle of the line is set with Fred Burkhardt (T), Jamie Scott, Duane Wilson (G's), and Matt Meares (C). John Feidler is back at TE.

WMU led the league in rushing and was third in total offense and scoring. It was No. 1 in total defense, which may be more difficult to duplicate. Seven regulars return. There are some solid anchors among them. Allen Hughes (T) was All-MAC first team; Les Garrett (LB) led the defense in tackles (105); Glen Jenkins (MG) in sacks. John Schuster (LB) and Joe Hart (E) are proven.

Regulars Randy Blackmore and Demetrius Jones take care of two secondary spots, with letterman Mark Kujaczinski and Holly as leading candidates to shore up the most uncertain area. (WMU was ninth in pass defense).

Also to be replaced is All-MAC punter/kicker Alton Laupp.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS

(7-4, 4-3) Bill Mallory's first season produced the first winner since 1973 and the school's highest finish ever in the MAC (tie for third). With seven regulars returning on both offense and defense, optimism over 1981 prospects seems justified.

The Huskies' offense, fifth in the MAC last year, should hold its own, or improve. Both QB's, John Gibbons (1,119 yards), the starter, and Rick Bridges (338 yards, 218 yards rushing), should be better, and No. 1 receiver, Andy Ball (18 receptions, 331 yards) is back. Other spots will be filled by unproven reserves, Carl Aikens or Ken Pickens (FL's), Ron Handy or Rick Gregus (TE's).

Cleveland West (TB, 440 yards) and Lou Wicks (FB, 380 yards) resume in the running positions, behind a line anchored by Mike Chelovich (G), a second-team All-MAC, Mark Skowronski (C), and Rich Barrent (T). Phil Herra (G) and either Scott Bolzan or Jeff Tharp (T's) are likely to fill the other jobs.

NIU's defense, second against scoring and fourth overall in the MAC, must replace three-fourths of the secondary, but has enough solid players to stay effective. Holdover starters are Max Gill, Bob Morgan (T's), Jim Keogh (E), Pat O'Shea (LB), and Steve Hirsch (DB). The switch of regular DE Larry Alleyne to LB in the spring appeared to fill one graduation vacancy. Lettermen Sheldon Sobol (E) and Jim Mukite (MG) moved up to complete the line.

Rich Burns and Russ Graham, both with some game experience, join Hirsch in the secondary. Rick Considine, switching from offense, and Jeff Saurbaugh are contesting for the CB assignment.

Vince Scott (13/13 PAT's, 3/4 FG's) will again handle place-kicking.

OHIO U.

(6-5, 5-4) Brian Burke's campaign to move the Bobcats up in the MAC will depend on how well he replenishes the forward areas. Four of five starters are gone from the offensive line, three of five on defense.

Also gone is leading rusher and receiver Tony Carifa, but Burke has plenty of firepower returning from the MAC's No. 1 offense. Prime advantage is QB Sam Shon, second in total offense and in the league's offensive player of the year voting. Shon (1,527 yards, 5 TD's, 277 rushing, 7 TD's) is within 338 yards of the school's all-time passing record and 1,307 short of the total-offense standard. He's become a master of Burke's veer attack and will have his receiving corps otherwise intact, with TE Shawn Silcot (33 catches, 445 yards), FL Mark Green (30 catches, 489 yards), and SE Sherman McBride (11 catches, 97 yards). Darryl Ware and Ed Washington also figure.

The Bobcats' rushing attack will be in the experienced hands of FB Todd Yoho (586 yards, 7 TD's) and TB Phil Merriman (325 yards) and reserves Mark Grogan and Darryl Meeks and touted freshman Dave Boston. Greg Puthoff (G) is the lone line returnee, but Burke is confident reserves will come through, or a freshman like David Boyce.

Five starters must be replaced from a defense that was No. 2 in the MAC overall—ninth in the NCAA vs. rushing—but seventh in points yielded. Frank Komar (LB), tackle leader (159), and Greg Byrne (NG), both second-team All-MAC, represent a first-rate basis for the rebuilding.

The secondary, young last year, is now proven, with Tom Nyhan, Curt Taliaferro, Dan Mills, Jeff Welch, and Mike Faix figuring. Dane Littleton (OLB) is the other holdover regular.

OU faces an unenviable season start at Minnesota.

MIAMI

(5-6, 4-3) Though the Redskins had a rare losing record in 1980, they managed to stay in the MAC's first division (tie for third). But it will be a struggle to remain there, mainly because of a 1980 problem, defense.

Tom Reed's offense, No. 1 in scoring, though sixth overall in the MAC, has the league's top runner and scorer in swift TB Greg Jones (952 yards, 9 TD's) and another first-team All-MAC standout in WR Don Treadwell (30 catches, 661 yards, 6 TD's). Also back are WR Keith Dummitt (12 catches, 310 yards), blocking FB Paul Drennan, Dave Pyles, Ken Smith (T's), and Mark Mather (C). Jones's experienced backup, Jay Peterson (264 yards), resumes too.

Reed is switching from an option attack to the I and promises "we are going to be throwing the ball more" (197 attempts last year). The I also better suits the two QB's, John Macke (313 yards, 4 TD's) and Mark Kelly (517 passing yards). "They will concentrate on just one thing, throwing the ball," adds Reed. Soph Macke finished spring drills as the apparent starter, though both will play.

Reed's defense, sixth against scoring and eighth in yardage yielded, will be rebuilt around Derik Hines (OLB), John Lyons, Kevin Carlin (LB), Mark Taylor, Ken Black, and Dave Williams (DB's). John Zupancic (OT) is ticketed for defense, but more help is needed.

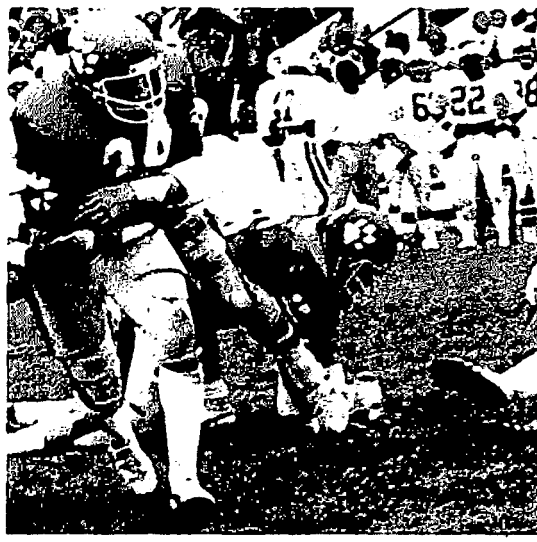
Reed will depend on two freshmen to handle the kicking duties.

TOLEDO

(3-6, 4-7) The 1979 season was a surprise (second place), 1980 was a disappointment (tie for eighth). This one may be in between for Chuck Stobart, despite having eight starters from the MAC's No. 4 defense against scoring and No. 10 offense. The Rockets will need some clutch performances in key spots and more consistency to challenge.

Stobart finished last season with an all-freshman backfield, which should have a beneficial carryover. QB Jim Kelso (589 yards, 294 rushing), TB Jerome Rivers (530), and FB Mel Tucker (563) figure to be improved. Senior Maurice Hall (299 yards) is a solid backup to Kelso, but depth at the running spots is unproven.

Three WR's who started games—Sid Fuller (17 catches, 246 yards), Rod Achter (10 for 269), and Butch Hunyadi (12 for 241)—and TE's



Ohio University running back Todd Yoho picks up gain vs. Miami.

Steve Schafer and Lon Kocsis all return to solidify the passing game. The interior line is veteran, with second-team All-MAC David Menefee (G), Greg Habzda (T), and Chris Hohenberger (C) three-year starters.

Injuries helped do in the Rockets in 1980, none more damaging than the loss of All-America candidate Mike Kennedy (SS) after the first game. He's back to lead a tough defensive unit that also includes last year's top tacklers, Jack Laraway and Marlin Russell. Operating in front of those two LB's will be Lloyd Lundy, Darin Wright (T's), Jeff Jackson, Mike Russell (E's), holdover starters, and joining Kennedy in the secondary will be regulars Tad Wampfler (second-team All-MAC), John Brady, and John Gudger. Stacey Conley (E) is another red-shirt.

BALL STATE

(6-5, 5-4) The Cardinals tied for fifth last year, keeping intact their string of first-division finishes, dating back to 1975 ever since they joined the MAC. But this could be the down year.

Gone is the league's Player of the Year, QB Mark O'Connell, and others who helped Ball State to No. 2 in MAC offense. Fortunately, Dwight Wallace does return SE Stevie Nelson (38 catches, 487 yards), an All-MAC first-team choice who also ranked 15th in the NCAA in punt returns (24.9 avg).

But the two returning QB's, Doug Freed and Bob Ferm, have had little playing time. Ferm was a 1980 red-shirt. They've thrown nine times between them in college competition. Besides Nelson, the receiving corps will also be new, though both Jeff Flowers (WB, 16 catches, 203

yards) and Dave LaCosse (TE) are lettermen.

The return of TB Mark Warlaumont after an injury red-shirt season should boost the rushing game, which depends on holdover regular FB Mark Bornholdt (467) and lettering Tim Petty (255) and Terry Lymon (228). Gary Reese (G) and Jim Pritchard (T) are the only returnees in the Cardinal line.

Wallace's defense, seventh in total yield and eighth against scoring, has a strong foundation. Dave Scheller, Wally Jordan (T's), and Craig Newburg (NT) shore up the forward area nicely, while Kelly George (LB), Reid Willen, and Craig Adams (DB's) are proven workmen. Sel Drain (DB) also was a part-time starter, slowed by injuries.

Another Cardinal asset is PK Dane Fellmeth (25 PAT's, 8 FG's).

BOWLING GREEN

(4-7, 4-4) Denny Stolz's Falcons started 0-4 in 1980 and may have to stage a comeback again, since the schedule calls for road games at Baylor, Ohio U., and Michigan State the first three weeks. It's doubtful they can finish much better than last year (seventh in the MAC).

Defense again appears BG's strength, with eight regulars returning, topped by Martin Bayless (FS), a second-team All-MAC choice last year as a freshman. The unit was fifth in defense against scoring, sixth in total defense. The top six linebackers are available, with Doug Carr, Pat Kennedy, and Terry Gyetvai as 1980 starters. Craig Valentine (NT) and Rick Iverson (T) will be back in the line, while Lee Williams (CB) continues in the secondary with Bayless. Jac Tomasello (S), a starter in 1978-79, but out with knee surgery last year, should be one secondary replacement, with John Hlay (T), Mark White, Don Gregoire, and Broderick Knight (LB's) rated highly.

The Falcons' offense starts with one advantage: the backfield is intact and promising, with QB Greg Taylor (562), TB Bryant Jones (806), FB Tom Glendening (256), and FL Shawn Potts. It also has depth in Steve Swan (QB), a starter at Anderson (Ind.) College for two years before transferring; Chip Otten (TB, 326); Kevin Folkes (TB), 1979's leading rusher, out most of 1980 with an injury.

Potts will switch to split end, but other receivers must be developed to improve BG's lagging passing game. An even bigger job for Stolz is finding interior linemen to go with starters Jim Schumann (T) and Cornell Jones (G).

KENT STATE

(3-8, 3-6) Ed Chlebek, former Eastern Michigan coach who left Boston College after a 7-4 record, inherits the MAC's most lettermen, 42, including 11 starters on offense and 10 on defense.

He plans to realign the KSU offense with multiple sets and the defense into a 5-2. "We want to throw the football and run the option," says Chlebek. Both platoons could stand a lot of improvement, since the Flashes ranked ninth in total offense, total defense, scoring, and defense against scoring.

The passing attack has good potential: QB Pat Gladfelter (745) and his receivers, Darren Brown (FL, 27 catches, 419 yards), Rick Langhals (SE, 23 for 322), and Mike Suren (TE, 17 for 191), finished 1980 strong. HB's Ron Pittman (485) and J.C. Stafford (335) head up the rushing corps, with blocking help from FB Mike Moeller. They'll operate behind a senior line of Lyle Drake, Devin Kuhar (T's), Terry Kindling, Mike Severino (G's), and Dave Blotzer (C).

The defense needs improvement, since KSU foes averaged more than 25 points. Chlebek has three solid anchors for rebuilding in Charlie Grandjean (DB), a first-team All-MAC selection, Sam Sopp (DB), and Russ Hedderly (LB), both second-team All-MAC.

Van Jakes is one regular in the secondary; Maurice Clemmons and Mark Hammel return at LB; the line lists John Morton, John Jewell (E's), John Peters and Ray Wagner (T's). The kicking game will be new.

EASTERN MICHIGAN

(1-9, 1-7) Two things give Mike Stock hope for a better season: (1) the law of averages would indicate fewer injuries than last year, (2) the arrival of J.F. Green, a top JC grad (2,216 yards, 19 TD's), at QB.

Green moved ahead of EMU record-holder Scott Davis in spring drills, having transferred in January. The leading receiver, SE Jeff Dackin (27 catches, 363 yards), returns, suggesting the passing game (third in the MAC) will again be a strength. But the Hurons' ground game (last in the MAC, 1,977 yards) must find firepower—and top rusher Al Williams is gone. Richard Calhoun and Nate Clark, 2-3 rushers last year, head up the candidates, with Bryan Roberts, Vic Adamle, and freshmen Derrick Tolliver and Paul Haddix also challenging.

Return of regulars Percy Stamps, Jerry Carmack (G's), John Balhorn (T), and standout Mike Price (T), out last year with an injury, should help the offense (last in yards and points in the MAC).

Stock's real reconstruction is the defense (also last in the MAC), where only Kahle Strickland (T), Mike Jones (T, from DE), Mike Hawks (NG), and Ed Poole (FS) are back. Experienced replacements include Dan Atkinson (DE), Todd Seroka, Tom Wing, Joe Illano (LB's), and Malcolm Staples (DB).

EMU scored 11 TD's last year and gave up 43. It's obviously an uphill battle.

MID-CONTINENT CONFERENCE

NORTHERN IOWA

(7-4) Stan Sheriff's offense should be potent because key personnel from the unit that set 28 school records returns: QB Steve Sandon, who accounted for ten marks; SE Ken Harvey, who caught passes for 935 yards; Chris Miliner, who rushed for 899 yards as a freshman. NCAA record-setter Kelly Ellis (RB), red-shirted after opening-game injury last fall, also rejoins the offense. The line is experienced and solid. The secondary is headed by regulars John Root and Don Stewart, the likely strength of a rebuilt defense, with Joe Anderson (LB) high-rated and Fred Bryan and Brad Hayes (T's) promising. Steve Schonert (PK), who set several records, boosts the offensive potential. The Panthers move up to division-1AA.

QB Pat Gladfelter of Kent State



EASTERN ILLINOIS

(11-3) The Panthers were second in division II 1980 playoffs, so Darrell Mudra figures to fare well in division 1-AA. QB Jeff Christensen (1,340 yards, 13 TD's) has a top target in TE Rob Mehalic (36 catches, 579 yards) and experienced rushing help in HB Kevin Staple. The line rebuilds around regulars Scott Gilleland (G) and George Tuzil (C). Kevin Gray (FS), second-team AP All-America in division II and MCC Back of the Year, leads a defense that returns starters Wilbert James (CB), Keith Wojnowski (E), Tom Murray, and Ira Jefferson (LB's). Mehalic and Gray are rated potential All-America candidates. Christensen set a school record with 399 yards in a single game last year. He also is a possibility for honors.



Falcon tailback Bryant Jones

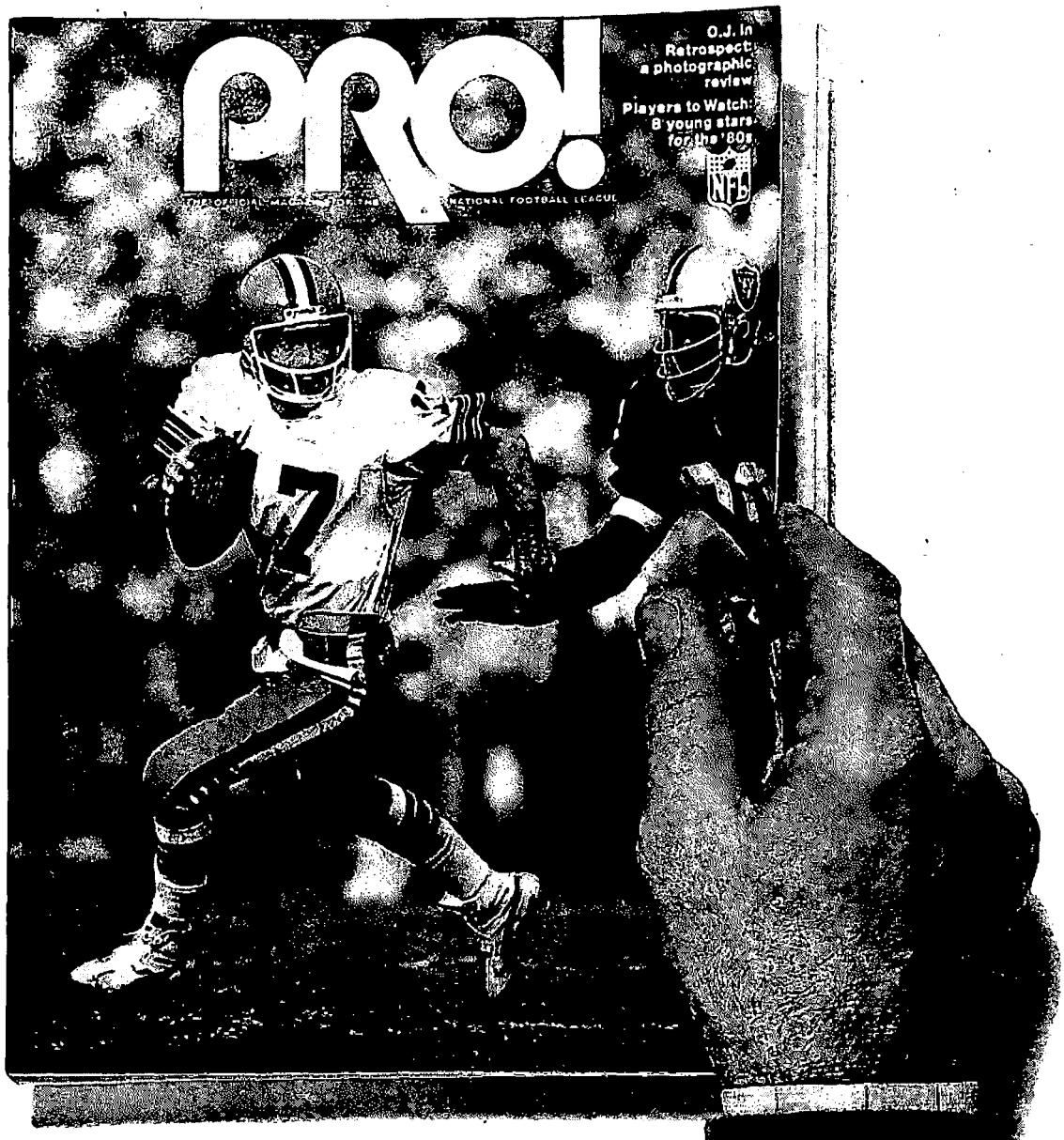
WESTERN ILLINOIS

(4-6) Pete Rodriguez again has RB's Jeff White (480), Mike Hembrough (347), Rodney Foster (72), and John Tucker (72) behind veterans Kyle Peterson, John Stadnik (T's), Bill Jensen (G, moving to C) and experienced reserves in Jeff Ostrowski and Dana Williamson (G's). An ineffective passing game looks for help from JC transfers in receiving and from Paul Marszeleck and Steve Dalton, 1980 reserves, in throwing. Rodriguez counts on more speed to hype his lagging offense. The Leathernecks' defense, fourth in NCAA division II vs. rushing, returns a strong front in Mark Scott and Reggie Dansdill (E's), Tim Barbian (T), and Pat Bayers and Mike Orr (LB's). Randy Sheppard (LB), a 1979 starter injured in 1980, also is available. E.J. Bassette, Percy Tomkins, and Thad Freeman return in the secondary, with help expected from JC's and converted RB Bob Smith.

SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE

(6-5) Rich Johanningmeier's Bears move into division 1-AA league, though remaining division II this year. The jump may be too steep, especially with rebuilding on both platoons. HB's Brian Keegan (259 yards) and Bill Hedgepath (241) return on offense, along with Willie Hurst (C) and all-Missouri Intercollegiate AA John Finders (24 catches, 329 yards), switching from TE to FB. The defense lists starters Keith Odehnal (E), Jon Castleman (DB), and Darrin Newbold, John Harvey, and Robert Rycraw (LB's) as the basis for improvement.

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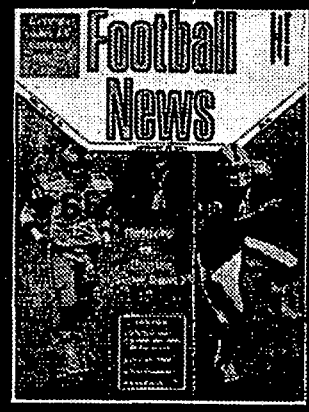
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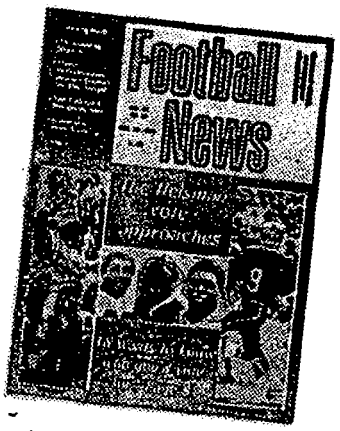
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This is the year of agony and ecstasy for Bear Bryant, football's most renowned senior citizen. This is the year when Bryant, 68 and in his 37th year as a head coach, will quite likely move ahead of Amos Alonzo Stagg as the coach with the most wins in the annals of college football. Stagg, who died in 1965 at the age of 102, won 314 games. Bryant begins the season with 306 victories. So much for the ecstasy.

The agony? How do you fight off a swarm of bees? Paul William Bryant and his players have no fear of the enemy, starting with Louisiana State on national television September 5. Respect, yes. Fear? No. The Crimson Tide through the years has learned that Bryant's formula for success is sufficient. He knows how to win, how to translate that formula to a never-ending flow of talent. But the major adversary in this particular year is that swarm of bees . . . the press, television, hero-worshipers, the multitude of distractions, the hype, the hoopla. This may be tougher than Bear's grid rivals.

Ask Hank Aaron how it was as he bore down on Babe Ruth's 714-career home run total. Ask Pete Rose about living in a glass house as he hit in 44 consecutive baseball games. Every time out the focus will be on Bryant and the record. This is certain to be true until Bear gets number 315. Every kickoff will be a media event. How does Bear say no to sportswriters, radio announcers, TV networks, talk shows, magazine writers? Bear, you may be sure, will handle it better than most, growling and grumbling every step of the way.

Bear says he doesn't want to consider records: "I've talked to my players about it. They're not playing for me and my records. I don't want them to go out on the field thinking of that. I think the business of Mr. Stagg and his record should be set aside from everything else."

But it doesn't work that way. His players know that. They know all about the Stagg record. That was the recruiting bait which lured some of them to Alabama in the first place. Now they want to be on the team that turns the trick, the team that makes the Bear the coach with the most wins in 112 years of college football.

Alabama is trying to prepare for the ordeal. A well-to-do alumnus gave the school a $25,000 mobile press room, equipped with the latest gadgets to accommodate television and radio, tapes and cassettes, space for 100 writers. Even that won't handle the throng as Bear wins numbers 312 and 313. If Alabama should win its first seven games this fall, the potential record-tying foe would be Rutgers in Tuscaloosa. If the script runs that way, the campus stadium will prepare for an auxiliary press corps of 300 in the stands. And if Alabama defeats Rutgers, the opposition for the record-breaker would be Mississippi State, this one in Tuscaloosa too. Oddly, Mississippi State was the underdog which whipped Bear a year ago, a 6-0 conquest that broke the Tide's 27-game winning streak in the Southeastern Conference.

Coming up to the occasion, even the Bear, the scowling man in the hound's-tooth hat, will be hard put to handle the stress. What do you say when NBC or CBS or ABC calls? He's been all through that before. He loves it and hates it at the same time, always fearing something will derail his football express. He's been in a lot of tight spots, but never anything like this as he looks back on a 13-year apprenticeship at Maryland, Kentucky, and Texas A & M and on the 23 years at Alabama.

He learned his lessons well. At Alabama, Bear has won five national championships and 12 Southeastern titles. To go with his 306 victories he has only 79 defeats and 16 ties. He won only one game in his first year at Texas A & M, but his 36-year average is 8.5 victories. None of the other old-timers, current or past, comes within shouting distance of that performance on the major-college level. In fact, only five men in big-time football have coached longer than Bryant: Stagg, Pop Warner, Jess Neely, Eddie Anderson, and Ossie Solem.

And what's ahead after he breaks Stagg's mark? Retirement? "What would I do?" Bear asks. Football has been his life. Alabama law decrees that no one may work beyond the age of 70 (in Bryant's case this would include the 1983 season). But there is already a movement to exempt Bear from this statute if he desires to continue.

The Bryant saga began back in 1945, at which time Stagg, then 82, was still turning out victories at College of the Pacific. Bryant was 32, married and the father of two, looking back on six years as a football assistant and four years in the Navy. Bear's credentials were modest, but he lacked no self-confidence. He turned down a handful of choice jobs as somebody's aide. He wanted to be the boss. George Preston Marshall, the omniscient owner of the Washington Redskins and a sort of George Steinbrenner of his time, recommended Bear to President H. C. (Curly) Byrd at the University of Maryland. Dr. Byrd, a former football coach himself, hired Bryant sight unseen. He was euphoric when Bear's 1945 team won six, lost two, and tied one.

"We should have won eight," said Bryant, blaming himself for one loss and the tie. Dr. Byrd promised Bryant "a lifetime contract." That sounded good to Bear until he discovered that the strong-willed and charismatic president had dismissed Herman Ball, a valued Bryant aide, and had reinstated a lineman bounced by Bryant for ignoring training rules.

Bear did not hesitate, negotiate, or whimper. He quit. Dr. Byrd pleaded with him to stay, but Bear was already talking business with Kentucky, where he was to run into another charismatic gentleman of a different stripe.

But in that turbulent season of 1945 no one could know what the future might hold for one more rookie head coach. The single wing and the Notre Dame box were still big. Many colleges were moving on to the man-in-motion T-formation, as popularized by the Chicago Bears and Clark Shaughnessy's 1940 Stanford team. The system was hardly important to Army's Red Blaik, whose touchdown twins, Glenn Davis and Doc Blanchard, were monopolizing the headlines. Andy Kerr of Colgate and Dana Bible of Texas were in the twilight of dazzling careers. At Missouri, Don Faurot was experimenting with something called the split-T. Many famous coaches were coming out of World War II to see if they could recapture the old magic, among them Bob Neyland of Tennessee, Bernie Bierman of Minnesota, Wallace Wade of Duke, and Frank Leahy of Notre Dame. Pro football was in turmoil and the college game hadn't even heard of these youngsters in the wings: Bud Wilkinson, Darrell Royal, Jim Tatum, Frank Broyles, and Woody Hayes.

The sports world had not yet become obsessed by No. 1. Television had not discovered football and vice versa. The headlines dealt with what to do about the postwar atom bomb, whether Pierre Laval should be hanged for treason, where the Japanese had hidden war gold, and how fast could industry get geared up for peacetime business. One grapefruit cost six cents, a loaf of bread eight cents. T-bone steak was 50 cents a pound and you could buy a name-brand suit of clothes for 40 dollars. Gypsy Rose Lee was big in the movie houses as *Belle of the Yukon.* In football, the rules committee wiped out the regulation that the pass must be thrown from five yards behind the scrimmage line. Henceforth, passes could be tried from anywhere behind the line.

Such was the state of things when Bryant began his eight-year stay at Kentucky, the commonwealth famed for horse racing, high living, and basketball. Each was to leave its mark on Bear. He caught on quickly, especially for a young fellow who had grown up in poverty.

Bear was quick to embrace the good life. An influential alumnus gave the Bryants a membership in the plush Idle Hour Country Club. Bear ran with the wealthy racing crowd. They loved his rawbone humor, his rugged good looks, and his dedication to his own job. Bear played with the rich and fancy, but football came first.

The Wildcats won two games in 1945 while Bear was warming up at Maryland. Bear's first entry at Kentucky won seven and lost three, a sensational record at a school that had never excelled in football. That first year the big thrill came when the Wildcats barely lost to Tennessee, the hated rival, by 7-0. Bryant gave Kentucky eight outstanding years of football, took the Wildcats to three bowl games. The starved football fans loved it, but Bryant was frustrated on two counts: (1) Tennessee had been too tough for him and (2) Bear could not supplant Adolph Rupp, the basketball giant, as No. 1 in the eyes of Wildcat loyalists.

Bryant's losses to Tennessee are understandable. He was up against the single-wing fundamentalist, Bob Neyland, then in his prime. Bear's predicament then could be likened now to the youngsters who are trying vainly to beat him. The height of Bear's frustration came in 1950 when Kentucky won the Southeastern Conference title, yet dropped a 7-0 decision to Tennessee on a frozen field. Bryant never made alibis to the press, but he said years later that the officials thwarted UK unjustly. Bear used a pet tackle-eligible pass three times that day, working it for long gains. Each time the officials annulled the play and penalized Kentucky.

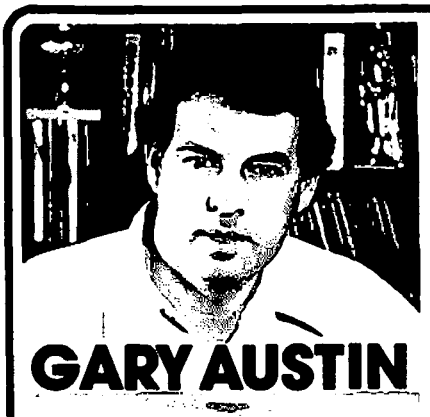
Bryant failed to beat Neyland in eight tries, but he has had his revenge. Tennessee has not defeated Alabama since 1970. Bear tortured all rivals for two decades with the tackle-eligible play. The maneuver was eventually outlawed. At one NCAA rules meeting John Vaught of Ole Miss, another victim of the play, spoke up: "I'm not going to let this rules meeting adjourn until we outlaw the tackle-eligible play."

After that 7-0 loss to Tennessee in 1950 it seemed that Bear was likely to get shut out of the major bowls with a 10-1-0 mark. Clemson and Miami were in the Orange and Tennessee and Texas in the Cotton. Bear pleadingly told Sugar Bowl officials that he would "guarantee" that Kentucky, if invited, would defeat Oklahoma, undefeated and already acclaimed as national champion. The Sugar Bowl took the gamble. Bear was right: UK whipped the Sooners, 13-7, and in 1951 the Wildcats defeated Texas Christian in the Cotton Bowl.

He had learned something about bowl preparations in 1949 when UK went down to Florida to engage Santa Clara in the Orange. Bryant took his squad to Cocoa Beach three weeks ahead of the game, worked them relentlessly in the hot sun. All work and no play. Santa Clara won. Jerry Claiborne, currently

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the Maryland coach who played end for Bryant, said: "We were worn out from practice."

But even Bryant's sensational football successes could not dim the light of Rupp, the basketball genius. Bear once said, "They gave Adolph a Cadillac and me a cigarette lighter." Basketball was dominant and finally Bear conceded that the limelight would stay on the entrenched roundball master. Even so, Bear signed a new ten-year contract. But Texas A & M called for him late in 1953. Bryant said he would go. University of Kentucky President H. L. Donovan threatened to sue. Bryant went anyway, refusing, at the time, to admit that Rupp figured in his departure.

Bryant's success at College Station was just as certain, but not quite as quick. His first Aggie team got one victory in ten starts. Bear's Southwest Conference mark was 0-for-6. But soon Bear's macho tactics began to pay off. He took 69 gridders to a sultry and isolated football camp near Junction. Only 29 "survived." The others quit. Those who refused to quit under Bryant's lash built a 4-1-1 conference mark in 1955, then sailed on to 6-0-0 and championship level in 1956.

Meanwhile, Alabama, Bear's alma mater, was staggering under the misery of the worst football slump in 50 years. By the winter of 1957-58, Alabama knew Bryant was the answer. Dr. Frank Rose, the president, has said many times that the hiring of Bryant was one of the best things he ever did for the school. He telephoned Dr. M. T. Harrington, the Aggie president. Fearing the worst, Dr. Harrington ducked the call. Dr. Rose then called the president's home and explained what he wanted. Of course, the Aggie boss couldn't deny Bear a chance to return to his alma mater.

Upon taking the job Bear promised his alumni: (1) He never again would walk away from a contract and (2) He would break no NCAA rules. Bear freely admitted years later that he had flouted the rules at Kentucky and Texas A & M, both penalized during Bryant's tenure.

His return to Tuscaloosa was starkly unlike his first appearance on that campus. Bear was one of eight children who grew up in depression times in Moro Bottom, near Fordyce, Arkansas. The high school coach there asked the gawky teenager if he wanted to play. Bryant liked the idea. He tacked cleats onto the soles of his street shoes and actually played end in the first game he ever saw.

Football was made for Bryant. He loved the hitting, the challenge, the spirit, the togetherness. Alabama became his destination through sheer coincidence. The late Hank Crisp, longtime Tide assistant coach who was on a recruiting trip through Arkansas, asked him if he'd like to play for Alabama. The answer was automatic. Crisp assigned him a room in the gym with three other rookies. This was 1931, five years before athletic scholarships were legalized. But most schools had their own ways of helping athletes. "My job was to keep the shower rooms and bathrooms clean," recalls Bear.

Bryant, always in the collegiate shadow of Don Hutson, the dazzling pass catcher who ran fly patterns long before the phrase was used, didn't seem to mind. He became the kind of player he most admires—the kid who works harder, follows orders, and proves he is just a little tougher. Bear proved that a long time ago and foes who meet him today will tell you he isn't getting any softer.

Bear's macho approach to football is, at once, his greatest asset, though a liability at times. His fourth Alabama entry (1961) won the national championship, during which a tough little guy named Darwin Holt broke Chick Graning's jaw in a Tide-Georgia Tech game. The charges of brutality flew and harsh words bounced between the two camps. The *Saturday Evening Post* published an article on football rough stuff, featuring the Holt-Graning episode. Bryant sued the *Post* for libel. A year later (1963) the *Post* published an article accusing Bryant and the late Wally Butts, former Georgia coach, of collusion in helping Alabama prepare for a game with Georgia. The first suit never came to trial, and in the second one Butts was exonerated, after which Bryant settled out of court for $300,000. This, however, did little to assuage his feelings in the toughest ordeal of his life.

Even this did not sour Bryant on the press. Bear has a handful of close friends among the writers. He patronizes a good many of the newspapermen, kids some, and ignores others.

"I'm going to write a book and tell how many football games you writers have cost me," Byant said one night in Birmingham.

The retort came from Alf Van Hoose, sports editor of the Birmingham *News*: "I'm going to write a book and tell about how the newspapers helped you win a lot of games." Bear grinned and went on his way.

In his first decade back at Alabama, Bear won three national championships. His team was in the top ten nine consecutive years, a remarkable achievement.

Bryant held firm even when the redoubtable Joe Namath tested him, ignoring training rules. He benched him for three games and, to stress the point, Bear forced Joe to sit out the Sugar Bowl match with Ole Miss. Namath got the message when the Tide whipped Ole Miss, 12-7, without him, the virtuoso passer. Bryant has always said that Namath was the best athlete he has ever coached. It is characteristic of the Bear that he maintains a close link with Namath and scores of other Tide players. Namath comes back annually to help Alabama's rookie quarterbacks.

Nevertheless, Bear's magic touch somehow vanished in the late 1960's. His team lost ten games in 1969 and 1970. Tide fans wondered if the "old boy" was washed up. Asked about the slump, Bear said, "I got lazy."

Oddly, pro football still courted him. He had spurned many pro offers but almost went to Miami after the drab 6-5-0 season of 1969. This was the year that Bryant practically invited himself to the Liberty Bowl with a team that had finished 2-4-0 in the Southeastern Conference. Liberty Bowlers admits they

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Maryland coach Jerry Claiborne (left) played end for Bryant's 1949 Kentucky team; Bear with backup QB Robert Fraley and aide Mal Moore in 1974 (below)

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didn't have the nerve to tell Bear they didn't want the Crimson Tide. They took him and Colorado walloped the Tide, 47-33. But Miami's Joe Robbie still wanted the Bear. They got down to serious talks that winter. Bear finally accepted the complex terms, gave Robbie his word that he'd coach the Dolphins.

Alabama officials gave Bear permission to go with one proviso: "Get us a coach as good as you are."

Bear tried to interest his old friend John McKay, of USC. Also, Charley McClendon of LSU and Darrell Royal of Texas. No help.

Bear, having lost some enthusiasm for the switch, told the officials he couldn't find anyone "as good as I am." Then he informed owner Robbie the deal was off.

As Bryant agonized through the 1970 season (3-4-0 in the SEC, 6-5-0 overall), he realized changes were in order. He decided his teams had been relying too much on the pass. Never again, he said publicly, would he let the air game dominate his attack. He went shopping for a new offense.

Coach Royal, on request, told Bear everything he knew about his own new ground attack, the wishbone. Bear adopted it. Also, he began to recruit blacks. He didn't need a clincher but he got it in 1970 when Southern California overwhelmed the Tide, 42-21, right there in Birmingham. Thus it was in 1971 that Bryant, at an age when most coaches are thinking of retirement, unveiled a team that featured the wishbone and end John Mitchell, the first black starter.

Since then Alabama has dropped only four games in the Southeastern Conference, the most recent the aforementioned 6-0 defeat by Mississippi State just last fall. Mitchell was a superb performer who now is an assistant coach at Arkansas. Bryant played many outstanding black athletes with nary a word of dissent from the cash customers. Writers often ask how many blacks he plays. The invariable reply: "We don't have black players. We have football players."

Bryant's one nemesis—everyone has one—is Notre Dame. Coaches Ara Parseghian and Dan Devine whipped Alabama four times, 24-23 and 13-11 in bowl games and 21-18 and 7-0 in the regular season. Notre Dame's four close ones belie the Bear's occasional boast: "The fourth quarter belongs to us." Notre Dame possibly set the tone in the first one, a Sugar Bowl matchup in 1973 for the national title. Time was running short when Alabama's Greg Gantt punted 59 yards to the Irish one-yard line. The Tide dug in, hoping to force a punt and set up a field goal. Two plays and a penalty later it was third and seven at the three. Parseghian sent in a play. The Tide braced for the line thrust. But quarterback Tom Clements, risking a safety on the rain-soaked grass, stepped back and tossed a 35-yard pass down the left sideline to Ron Weber, a third-string end. Alabama had been outsmarted by an audacious call and gutty execution.

So far as I can tell in 35 years of Bear-watching, there is little mystery to his success. He demands discipline and gets it from assistants and players. He puts his money on defense, the kicking game, and says he throws in a little offense to please the fans. Bear's bedrock is fundamental football rather than deception and guile. He is not renowned as an innovator. He adapts dozens of old maneuvers to his own ends. His wishbone, for instance, is more effective, more sophisticated than the best wishbones to come out of Texas a decade ago. He proved you can utilize the pass from the wishbone. He sharpens up old tools—any tool—and springs them at the proper moment.

This fall Bear's wishbone will be a bit different. The power fullback will be missing much of the time, giving way to more speed, a wishbone that will resemble the lightning outside bursts a la Oklahoma.

Bear has no apparent weakness as a coach. His teams seldom beat themselves. And the record shows that the opposing team isn't going to whip Bear either. At least not very often.



Notre Dame coach Ara Parseghian and QB Tom Clements outsmarted Tide in Sugar Bowl that gave Irish 1973 national title; Bryant with 1980 Sugar Bowl MVP, RB Major Ogilvie

Top 20 college football coaches

(number of wins)

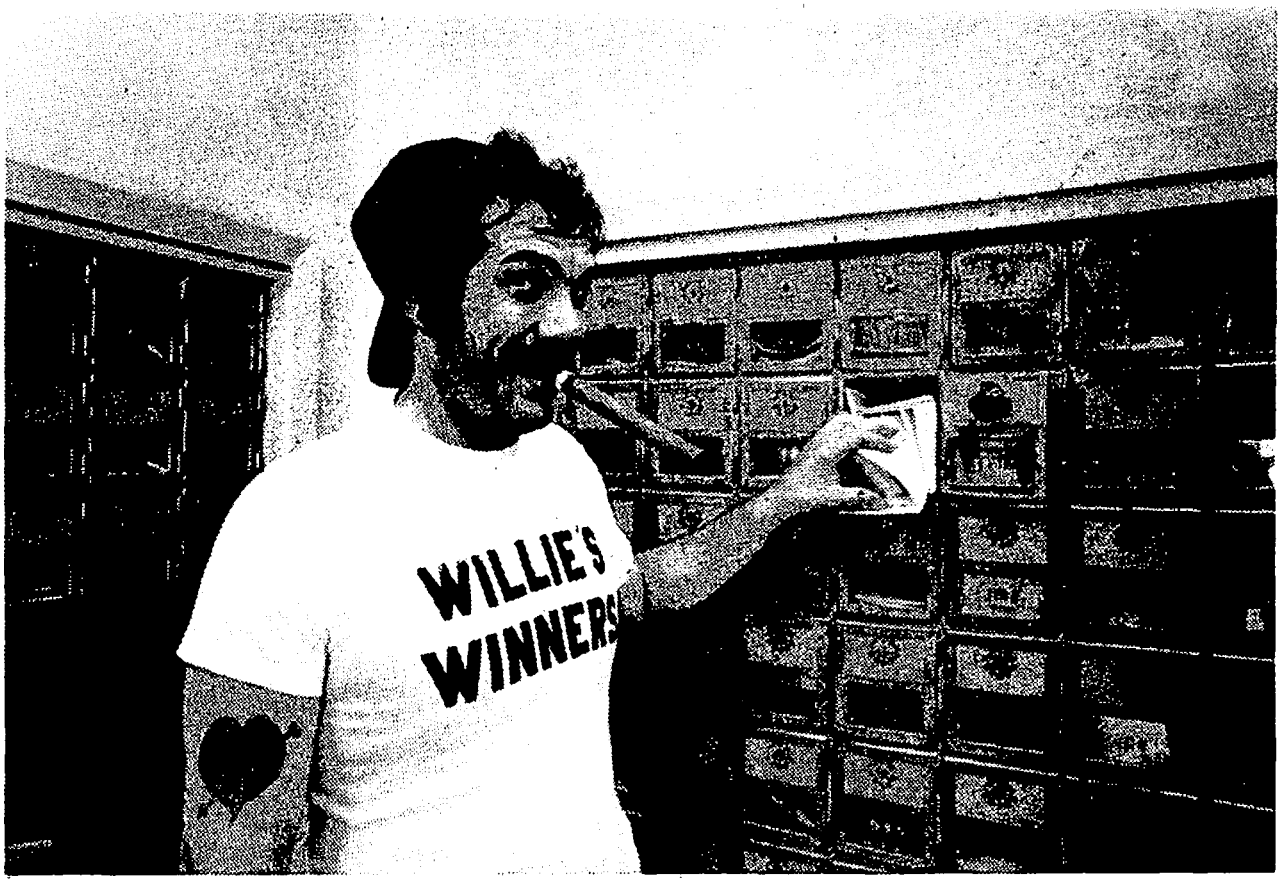
Amos Alonzo Stagg	314	Howard Jones	194
Glenn (Pop) Warner	313	John Vaught	190
Paul (Bear) Bryant	306	John Heisman	185
Woody Hayes	238	Darrell Royal	184
Jess Neely	207	Carl Snavely	180
Warren Woodson	207	Gil Doble	180
Eddie Anderson	201	Ben Schwartzwalder	178
Dana Bible	198	Ralph Jordan	176
Dan McGugin	197	Frank Kush	176
Fielding Yost	196	Bob Neyland	173

Top 10 active college football coaches

(by winning percentage)

coach	school	years	win	losses	ties	pct.*
Barry Switzer	Oklahoma	8	83	9	2	.894
John Robinson	USC	5	50	8	2	.850
Joe Paterno	Penn State	15	141	31	1	.818
Bo Schembechler	Michigan	18	154	38	6	.793
Tom Osborne	Nebraska	8	75	20	2	.784
Bear Bryant	Alabama	36	306	79	16	.783
Tony Knap	Nevada-Las Vegas	17	137	47	4	.739
Dick Crum	North Carolina	7	58	20	2	.738
Carmen Cozza	Yale	16	105	37	3	.734
Jackie Sherrill	Pittsburgh	5	42	16	1	.720

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by MARVIN WEST KNOXVILLE NEWS-SENTINEL

It is awkward, foreign, strange to mention any school in Southern football ahead of Alabama. It is also risky . . . if you intend to be right.

The Crimson Tide, with the great reputation and cannibalistic defense, is but one of three top teams in the highly competitive Southeastern Conference.

Defending national champion Georgia, with million-dollar tailback Herschel Walker, looms as a power to be reckoned with and Mississippi State has more muscle than the South is accustomed to seeing.

Alabama isn't exactly in a decline but Paul (Bear) Bryant will have to do a bit of coaching to make this historical season (see page 34) a complete success. The Tide had too many quarterbacks still in the race at the end of spring practice. There is a hint of a superspeed attack, in the fashion of Oklahoma, if Bear can blend several prospects and come up with one winning quarterback. The team has potential to the outside in a running offense and Bryant disciples insist there will be more passing to stop defenses from digging in.

Alabama's defense is strong up the middle and in the secondary. Few teams in America will have the quality and stability the Tide can line up as defensive backs.

Georgia won't look the same as it did in the Sugar Bowl and in 11 other victories last season. Vince Dooley has more new faces than he likes in the offensive line and had to find junior-college help for the secondary.

PREDICTIONS

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE
1. Mississippi State, 2. Alabama, 3. Georgia, 4. Florida, 5. Louisiana State, 6. Tennessee, 7. Auburn, 8. Ole Miss, 9. Kentucky, 10. Vanderbilt

INDEPENDENTS
1. Miami, 2. Florida State, 3. Southern Mississippi, 4. Tulane, 5. Louisville, 6. Northeast Louisiana, 7. Tennessee State, 8. Memphis State

OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE
1. Eastern Kentucky, 2. Western Kentucky, 3. Murray State, 4. Akron, 5. Morehead State, 6. Youngstown State, 7. Middle Tennessee, 8. Austin Peay, 9. Tennessee Tech

GULF SOUTH CONFERENCE
1. North Alabama, 2. Jacksonville State, 3. Livingston, 4. Troy State, 5. Tennessee-Martin, 6. Mississippi College, 7. Delta State

Dooley does have Walker, one of a kind. Herschel was sensational as a freshman, dramatic in the offseason as he listened to lucrative Canadian offers, and loyal to Georgia and Olympic ambitions as he rejected the more than $500,000 a year Montreal had offered.

Mississippi State is also a popular place for professionals to visit. Emory Bellard has developed a very physical squad. It was a stirring success last season with a freshman quarterback, and the system is better organized. The Bulldogs have fine speed in the backfield and a masher in linebacker Johnie Cooks.

Florida anticipates another exciting season but the Gators have lost the advantage of slipping up on unsuspecting foes. The offensive line had to be fixed and is still to be tested.

Louisiana State is coming on aggressively. Coach Jerry Stovall was more productive than expected in his debut. His second effort will be built around an established quarterback, speed at receiver, and a defense that keeps Baton Rouge from being a friendly place to stop.

Ambitious but not as likely to land in a big bowl are Tennessee, Auburn, Ole Miss, Kentucky, and Vanderbilt. This is John Majors's fifth year with the Volunteers but he still has problems to solve. Selling tickets is not one. Tennessee has astounding support. Auburn has a new coach, Pat Dye, and the promise of a rugged, competitive team. Ole Miss faces a critical campaign. Wholesale defensive adjustments must lead to overall improvement.

A .500 finish would be considered successful at Kentucky and Vanderbilt. Neither appears to have enough quality players, but the Wildcats supposedly recruited well.

The state of Florida is challenging California for best-in-the-country honors. Besides the surprising Gators, the state was home to two of 1980's top independent teams. The show of strength continues.

Florida State probably won't be an Orange Bowl team this year, but the Seminoles of Bobby Bowden don't plan a collapse . . . even in the face of a ridiculous schedule. Bowden has returnees in key positions, a very good punter, and a proven format for building winners.

Miami . . . surprise, surprise . . . is the other Florida powerhouse. From whispers that the Hurricanes were about to fade from the football scene, Howard Schnellenberger has triggered shouts of top ten futures.

Memphis State and Northeast Louisiana have new coaches. Rex Dockery faces a long reconstruction program with the Tigers. True to his Tennessee background, he is beginning on defense. Pat Collins has moved up to the front office with the Indians. His problem is milder. He inherited the remains of a 7-4 winner, including the basics of a fine passing attack.

Southern Mississippi has an excellent foundation for continued prosperity. Running back Sammy Winder is a key from a 9-3 team.

There is optimism at Tulane. There is optimism wherever Vince Gibson coaches. The Greenies have a new offensive line and a new quarterback but a positive outlook.

Louisville has reason for an occasional smile. Eighteen returning regulars, including good offensive firepower and a battle-tested secondary, signal the Cardinals will continue to improve.



Georgia's sensational Herschel Walker set an NCAA frosh record with 1,616 yards rushing in 1980.

BIKE

Tennessee State may not be as effective as in 1980. The 747, quarterback Joe Adams, has landed and a new air arm must be found.

The Deep South is rich in individual talent. Walker is a good bet to win the Heisman Trophy.

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

MISSISSIPPI STATE

One of the surprise teams of the SEC, Mississippi State finished 9-3 and went to the Sun Bowl, where the Bulldogs promptly lost, 31-17, to Nebraska.

Hoping that defeat isn't an omen, coach Emory Bellard looks to replace 18 seniors from the team that ended Alabama's 28-game winning streak and finished 5-1 in the SEC. It shouldn't be too hard. Both kickers and 13 starters return. The Bulldogs' 1979 record of 3-8 seems so long ago.

Although the offense will miss All-America wingback Mardye McDole, who averaged 19.1 yards a catch from 1977 to 1980, there is a solid nucleus returning. Sophomore quarterback John Bond, 6-4, 205, was the the fourth-leading rusher in the SEC with 720 yards. He amassed 1,569 yards in total offense, the most ever by a Bulldog freshman. Behind him is another sophomore, Tim Parenton (190), who saw little action last year but showed promised in the spring.

Junior Michael Haddix (215) garnered 724 yards rushing to place third in the league. He could be used as either a halfback or wingback in MSU's triple-option offense. Senior fullback Donald Ray King (210) rushed for 611 yards in the final eight games. Danny Knight (205) and Lamar Windham (220) will vie at wingback. Glen Young (205) averaged almost 20 yards a catch last season and has the lead at split end. Art Mordecai (190) is the backup. Junior Jerry Price (240) is a solid choice for tight end with Glen McRee (220) at backup.

All-SEC guard Wayne Harris, a 275-pounder with All-America capabilities, heads the veteran offensive line. Junior Bill Bell (245) is the other guard with Donald Scamardo (245) and Tony Fernandez (235) the reserves.

Junior center Kent Hull (240) anchors the middle. He'll be relieved by Mike McDonald (230). Roman Grace (250), the only starting senior on the line, owns left tackle, with junior Bobby Miketinas (265) on the other side. Both will be heavily counted on as the Bulldogs attempt to better the rushing attack that finished seventh in the country in 1980.

Defensively, the Bulldogs feature All-America candidate Johnie Cooks, a 6-4, 240-pound middle linebacker who is the heart and soul of the Mississippi State 4-3. He led the team with 79 primary stops and 37 assists last season. He was Southeastern area player of the week for his 17-tackle game against Auburn. He also made ten primary tackles in the win over Alabama.

Curtis Stowers (215) and John Miller (230) hold the outside linebacking spots with sophomores Clay Peacher (195) and Bo Robertson (200) as reserves.

The secondary has two seniors and two juniors but lost the top two interception artists. Juniors Steve Johnson (195) and Lawrence Evans (185) hold the corners with Cookie Jackson (185) and Bobby Junkin (185) waiting in the wings. Rob Fesmire (180) will go at strong safety with Greg Williams (185) at free safety. They'll be spelled by Dan Hogan (185) and Gary Lambert (180).

The left side of the defensive line will be young with sophomore Billy Jackson (220) at the end and classmate Ricky George (235) at tackle. Carson Mitchell (230) is one backup while senior Keith Jackson (255) is another. Senior Glen Collins (260) has the right tackle, backed up by junior John Watkins (230). Junior Mike McEnany (205) is ahead at right end with junior Jerry Gillikin (230) close behind.

Dana Moore handles placements and punting. He made 11 of 15 field goals and owned a 40.5 punting average. Bob Morgan handles extra points. He missed his first one, then hit 29 straight.

Bellard was pleased with his spring workout, saying, "We are much better at this stage than we were at the same time a year ago."

The schedule, with seven games either in Jackson or Starkville, and opponents like Memphis State, Vanderbilt, and Colorado State, is just one reason why the Bulldogs might be even better this time around.

ALABAMA

If the Bear is going to get that record this season, a lot depends on the quarterback. Ken Coley (188) jumped ahead slightly in the spring, but five others are still in the chase.

Alan Gray (184) threw five passes last year, completing one. Coley threw just one and missed on it. Gray also rushed for 221 yards —and a 6.1 average—while Coley ran 38 times for 164 yards.

Walter Lewis (181), who ran for 219 yards and completed 10 of 18 passes for 118 more, also has a shot. Paul Fields (183), Andy Martin (205), and Michael Landrum (185) are in the background.

Most likely Paul (Bear) Bryant will settle on a quarterback who can run the team—and the ball—with a minimum of mistakes. There has been talk of a more open offense to take advantage of speed and there were 33 passes in the spring game.

Only four offensive starters return, none in the backfield. The loss of running back and team leader Major Ogilvie will especially hurt. He was like an assistant coach on the field and one of Bryant's most dedicated players. But the Tide played a lot of running backs last year and depth should be no problem here.

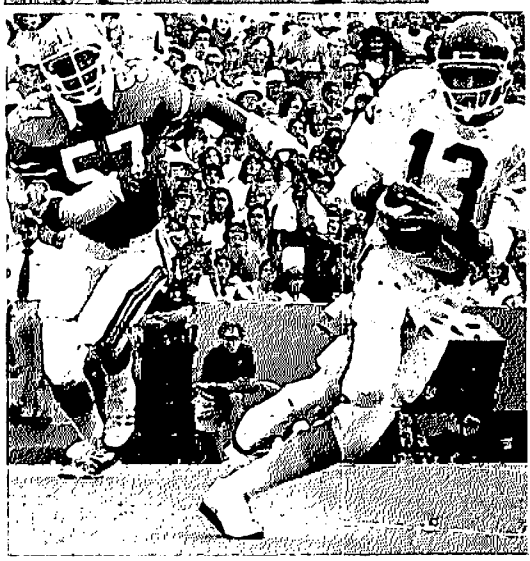
Sophomore Linnie Patrick (175), who averaged 7.2 yards on 50 carries last year, will be thrust into the limelight. He has speed and good moves. Joe Carter (186), Jeff Fagan (198), Ken Simon (190), and Mark Nix (195) will all get a chance. Junior fullback Charley Williams (214), who had 305 yards last year, missed the spring following shoulder surgery. Earl Collins (218), Scott McRae (201), and Roosevelt Wilder (195) worked out at fullback.

Jesse Bendross (182), who had 11 catches for 169 yards, returns as the starting split end. Joey Jones (166) and Tim Clark (174) offer depth Bart Krout (223) has experience at tight end.

The interior offensive line is young and relatively inexperienced. Tackle Bob Cayavec (241) and center Steve Mott (247) are returning starters. Only three other lettermen—tackle Joe Beazley (245), center Danny Holcombe (237), and guard Gary Bramblett (214)—are back.

On defense, the Tide's starters should be good, but depth is a problem. Five starters return, including leading tackler Thomas Boyd





Fullback Donald Ray King (top) and quarterback John Bond (above) make Mississippi State SEC favorite.

1981 ALL-DEEP SOUTH TEAM

OFFENSE			
Quarterback	John Fourcade	SR	Mississippi State
Running Back	Herschel Walker	SOPH	Georgia
Running Back	Michael Haddix	JR	Mississippi State
Running Back	Linnie Patrick	SOPH	Alabama
Wide Receiver	Anthony Hancock	SR	Tennessee
Wide Receiver	Lindsay Scott	SR	Georgia
Tight End	Chris Faulkner	JR	Florida
Tackle	John Canel	SR	Miami
Tackle	Keith Uecker	SR	Auburn
Guard	Wayne Harris	JR	Mississippi State
Guard	Ken Hammond	SR	Vanderbilt
Center	Lee North	SR	Tennessee
Place-kicker	Peter Kim	JR	Alabama
DEFENSE			
Line	Lester Williams	SR	Miami
Line	Dave Galloway	SR	Florida
Line	Eddie Weaver	SR	Georgia
Line	Glen Collins	SR	Mississippi State
Linebacker	Thomas Boyd	SR	Alabama
Linebacker	Johnie Cooks	SR	Mississippi State
Linebacker	Al Richardson	JR	LSU
Linebacker	Andrew Coleman	SR	Vanderbilt
Back	Tommy Wilcox	JR	Alabama
Back	Jim Bob Harris	SR	Alabama
Back	Leon Williams	SR	Louisville
Punter	Rohn Stark	SR	Florida State

(212). A linebacker, Boyd had 72 individual stops and 120 total. But he missed spring workouts with a back injury that hampered him through the 1980 season. Robbie Jones (206) and Eddie Lowe (191), both of whom have some experience, will also push for playing time.

Warren Lyles (213) returns at noseguard and should plug up the middle well. Jackie Cline (263) is back at a tackle, with Scott Homan (259), Randy Edwards (245), and Richard Shinn (231) expected to see action. They played about the same amount last year.

Both ends, including all-everything E.J. Junior, are gone, leaving lettermen Mike Pitts (241) and Russ Wood (209) to pick up the pieces.

The secondary could be the strongest part of the defense, with returning starters Jim Bob Harris (188), Tommy Wilcox (187), and Jeremiah Castille (171). Wilcox was third on the team in tackles with 75. He also had two interceptions and broke up six passes, tying Castille for the team lead. Castille, who had three interceptions, returned seven punts for a 12.3 average and one TD and blocked a field goal and a punt. Harris, a three-year starter, had three interceptions last season. Benny Perrin (175), Jerril Sprinkle (183), and red-shirt Al Blue (175) could be factors.

Place-kicker Peter Kim returns after leading the team in scoring with 71 points. He hit 35 of 37 extra points and 12 of 18 field goals. Clark will once again handle kickoff duties.

Punter is wide open in the wake of Woody Umphrey's graduation. Walk-on Malcolm Simmons did well in the spring, but Lewis is an alternative. Freshman Terry Sanders from Birmingham may win it in the fall if he lives up to expectations.

GEORGIA

The defending national champ Bulldogs did not have as successful a recruiting year as they would have liked, but with Herschel Walker in the backfield, how much help does coach Vince Dooley need?

Walker did everything but collect tickets at the front gate—although his play helped sell a few—while leading the Bulldogs to a 12-0 season. But despite popular belief, Walker had a little help. Most of it came from All-America kicker Rex Robinson, All-America defensive back Scott Woerner, All-SEC guard Tim Morrison, All-SEC tackle Nat Hudson, and All-SEC safety Jeff Hipp, second in the nation in interceptions with eight. But all that help is gone now, and Dooley must find suitable replacements. In all, 20 seniors have departed, including 13 starters and both kickers.

To begin with, the offensive line must be completely rebuilt. Senior Joe Happe (240) has the inside track at center. Returning guard Jimmy Blakewood (230) will fill one spot while the other will likely be manned by junior Wayne Radloff (230). Sophomores James Brown (217) and Mike Weaver (290) will be backups. The tackles are young but have potential. Sophomores Jimmy Harper (275), Warren Gray (239), Winford Hood (260), and junior Tim Case (245) expect to be in the thick of the fight. Two-year starter Norris Brown (215) had 253 yards in receptions last year and will man the spot at tight end. Sophomore Clarence Kay (215) will be his backup.

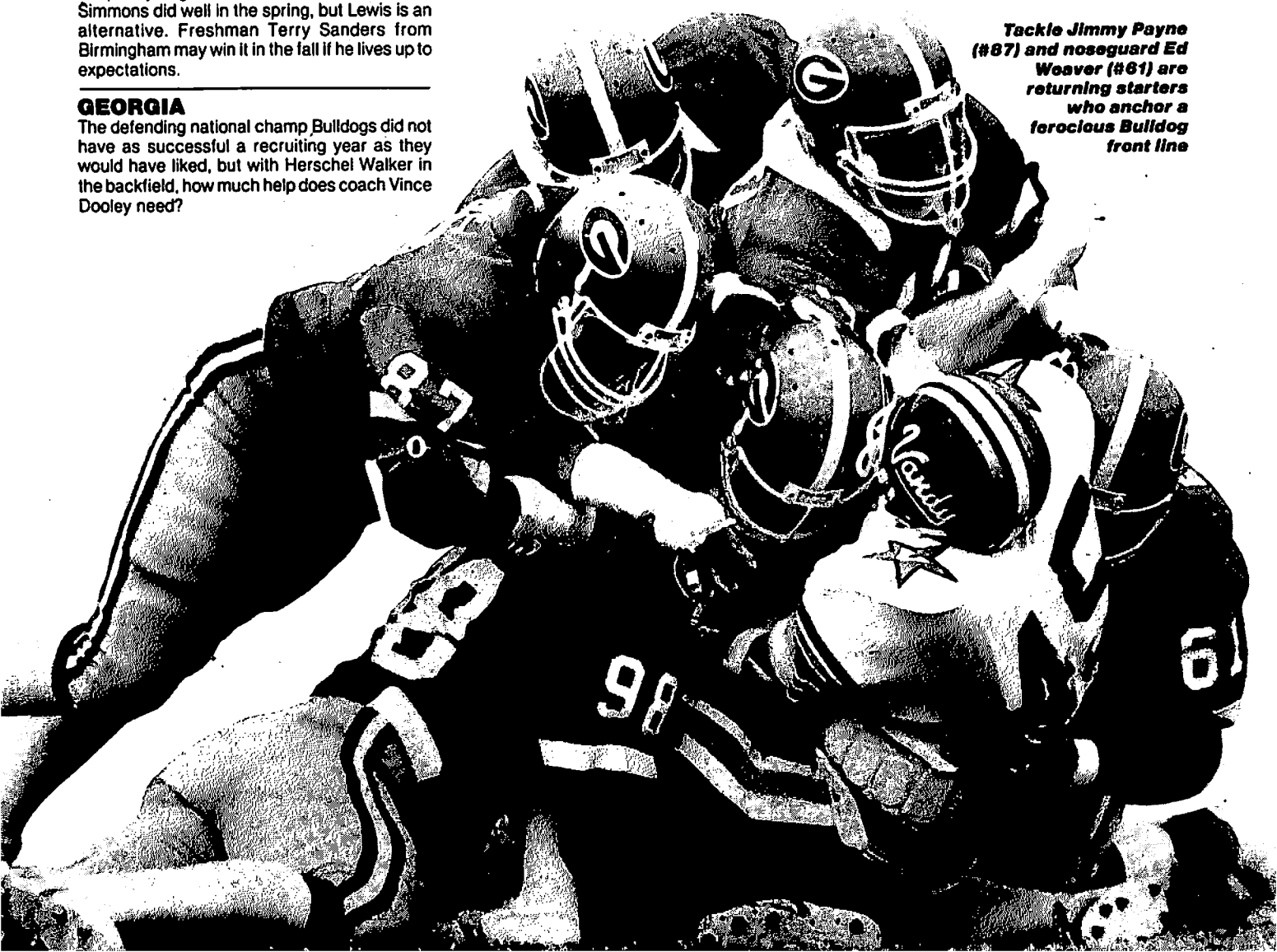
Returnees Lindsay Scott (188)—a three-year starter who had the famous last-second TD reception to beat Florida a year ago—Chuck Jones (198), and Charles Junior (180) will take care of the wide receiver positions. Buck Belue (185), despite missing the spring to play baseball, makes the quarterback solid. Depth is a problem. Junior Jeff Paulk (190) threw just 15 passes last year, and red-shirt sophomore John Lastinger (190) had his contact work limited in the spring because of a knee injury. Belue, a third-year starter, threw for 1,314 yards and 11 touchdowns last year while leading the SEC in passing efficiency.

On defense, the interior line will be led by returning starters Eddie Weaver (270), who had 96 tackles and two fumble recoveries; Jimmy Payne (243), who had 81 tackles and seven sacks; and junior Tim Crowe (232). Sophomore Landy Ewings, juniors Kevin Jackson (255), Jack Lindsey (238), and senior Joe Creamons (240), the starting right guard until he was injured, lead the bench strength.

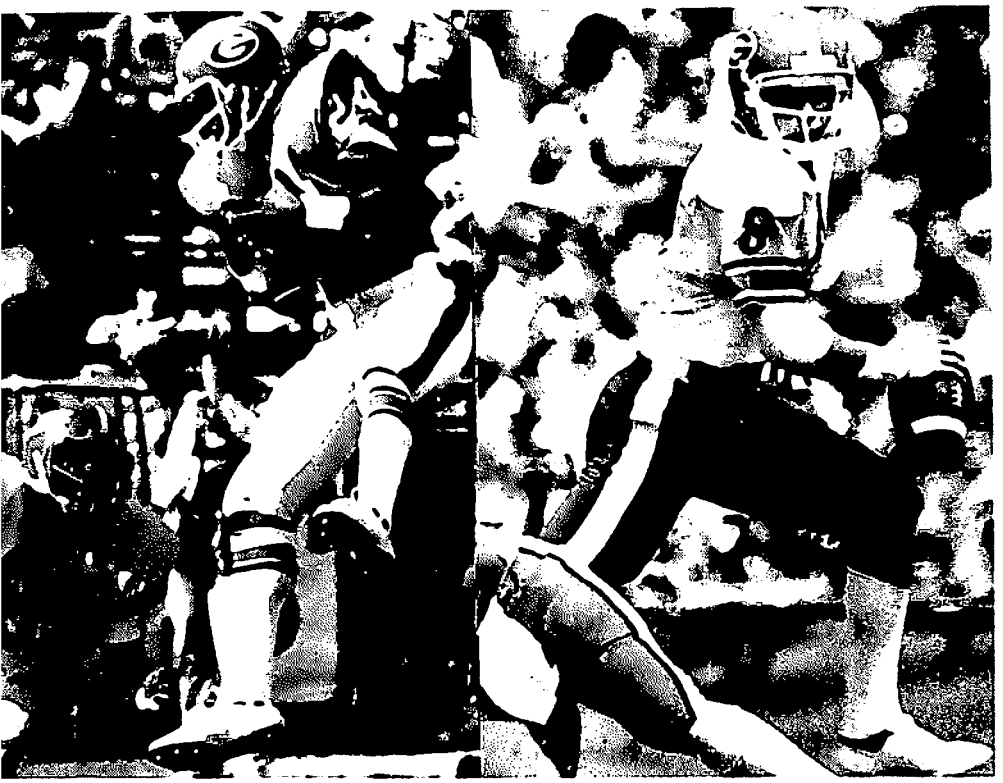
The defensive ends will be filled by Dale Carver (215), Tim Bobo (205), and Freddie Gilbert (215). Sophomore Stan Dooley (193) also has a shot.

The linebacking corps has three experienced returneees in junior Nate Taylor (198), junior Will Forts (205), and sophomore Tommy Thurson (210). Sophomore Mike Jones (192) may also get some playing time.

The only experienced player in the secondary is senior cornerback Dale Williams (170), who had two fumble recoveries and 27 tackles last season. Two California junior-college transfers, Denis Waitley (200) and Ronnie Harris (180), will try to work into the secondary,



Tackle Jimmy Payne (#87) and noseguard Ed Weaver (#61) are returning starters who anchor a ferocious Bulldog front line



Lindsay Scott (far left) and Buck Belue insured Georgia's perfect season with a 93-yard TD in the closing seconds against Florida.

either at corner or safety. Senior Steve Kelly (178) has the edge at safety. Sophomores Terry Hoage (196) and Gary Cantrell (190) are the leading candidates at rover. Sophomore Scott Williams (211) has a shot at one corner. Freshman signee Antonio Render (180), a high school All-America, is expected to challenge.

Junior Jim Broadway, who had a 37-yard average on 31 kicks, will most likely be the punter. The place-kicking spot will be decided among returnees Stan Charping and Paul Frate, neither of whom scored last year, and freshman Kevin Butler, an early high school graduate who participated in spring drills.

FLORIDA

The SEC's Cinderella team, the Gators give every indication they'll be wearing glass slippers again this year. Fifteen starters return, including quarterbacks Wayne Peace and Bob Hewko, from the 8-4 team which beat Maryland, 35-20, in the Tangerine Bowl.

"Our team will be improved in 1981," says head coach Charlie Pell. "We will be stronger in several areas and we are closing the gap toward becoming a contender."

One of those areas is quarterback, where Peace, a 6-2, 217 sophomore, and Hewko, a 6-3, 190 junior, have proved they can play. Hewko, the starter in the first four games, went down with a knee injury against LSU. Peace stepped in and promptly threw for 1,271 yards and five TD's and led the Gators to their bowl win.

The receivers are in good shape, too, with All-SEC tight end Chris Faulkner (248) leading the way. Faulkner grabbed 24 passes for three touchdowns last season. Junior Mike Mularkey (240) provides ample backup.

Depth is impressive at wide receiver with five scholarship players. Junior Tyrone Young had 24 receptions last year and a 19.5-yard average. Sophomore Dwayne Dixon (207) has the lead at flanker with Spencer Jackson (170) slated to see lots of action. Seniors Curt Garrett (194) and Johnny Gaffney (187) will also play.

The top four rushers from 1980 return, including team leader James Jones (235), who had 657 yards in his first full season at fullback. Doug Kellom had 339 yards but missed the spring with a shoulder injury. Johnell Brown (195) alternates with Kellom. Freshman Lorenzo Hampton (214) missed last year with an injury and could be a factor.

The line will need the most work on offense. Junior tackle Dan Fike (262) has as much experience as anybody. He'll be joined on the left side by guard Dan Plonk (249), who can also play center. John Redmond (239) may switch between center and guard. Buddy Schultheis (262) and Doug Wright (237) will battle for right guard, with Russell Gallon (265) and Andy Smith (263) vying for right tackle.

The defensive line is in much the same jumbled position. Three of the Gators' first four tackles and three of their first four ends are gone. Tackle Dave Galloway (283), who runs a 4.7 40, "can be an awesome and dominating person at the line of scrimmage," says Pell. Senior John Whittaker (250) has been switched from noseguard to tackle and is considered crucial to defensive success. Senior Robin Fisher (240) will go at noseguard, backed up by Glen Meyers (251). Sophomore Roy Harris (249) and junior Vince Jones (256) will provide depth at tackle.

Losses were heavy at linebacker. Pell made several moves to help rebuild the position, including changing Wilber Marshall (226) from tight end to outside linebacker, where he could start. Lawrence Patrick (225) and Tom Weigmann (220) logged extensive playing time in 1980 and should see even more this year. Val Brown (229) and Fernando Jackson (207)—with 125 tackles—will also be in the thick of the race for starting positions. Sophomore Fred McCallister missed the spring because of knee surgery, but is expected to be a factor in the fall.

Junior Ivory Curry (178) and sophomore Vito McKeever (177) have the lead at cornerbacks. Junior Sonny Gilliam (177) and Bruce Vaughan (169) will press for playing time. Kyle Knight (177) and sophomore Tony Lilly (204) will go at the safeties with competition from Roger Sibbald (190) and Pablo Mila (190). Senior Derrick Burdgess (208), who started often his first three seasons but missed last year, returns to fight for a safety spot.

Sibbald will also compete with a rash of walk-ons for Mark Dickert's punting position. Placements and kickoffs will again be handled by Brian Clark, the leading Gator scorer the last two years.

LOUISIANA STATE

At first look, you couldn't blame coach Jerry Stovall if he weren't too excited about opening the season. After all, he has just six seniors on the entire squad and the first two games are against Alabama and Notre Dame.

But when you scratch the surface just a bit, you find that Stovall's situation isn't bad enough to start the Bengal Tiger fans panicking. Despite lack of depth and senior leadership, LSU returns 15 starters, including quarterback Alan Risher and a bevy of backs.

Risher, a 6-2, 188-pound junior, was relatively unknown before last year. He earned some recognition quickly, passing for 971 yards and nine TD's and LSU surprised a lot of people with a 7-4 record. Junior James McCready (190) is the only backup with any experience.

Five running backs return, paced by Jesse Myles (203), who led a balanced ground attack with 403 yards and a 5.3-yard average despite missing five games with a broken leg. Five other backs, including departed Hokie Gajan, rushed for a least 200 yards. Myles will be joined in the backfield by Gene Lang (188), Eric Ellington (182), and Mike Montz (210). Jude Hernandez (204) has experience at fullback.

Senior Orlando McDaniel, a 175-pound hurdler on the track team, will start at split end in front of sprinter Efrem Coley (186). Junior John Falgout (183) has the lead at flanker.

Malcolm Scott (237) caught 13 passes at tight end last year. He'll be pushed by James White (228), a promising freshman who was injured in the 1980 season opener and received an extra year of eligibility.

The offensive line will be experienced, anchored by center Mike Grambrell, 6-5, 245. Tom Tully (240) and Greg Raymond (240) are returning starters at guards and Dave Koch (250) was a starter at tackle. Three other lettermen return: tackle Bob Weathersby (250) and guards Mike Burks (235) and Mike Turner (248).

The defense returns seven starters, including linebacker Al Richardson (223), who led the team with 129 tackles. Lawrence Williams (215), the second-leading tackler, returns as the other inside linebacker. Ricky Chatman (220) and John Fritchie (218) provide experienced backup help. Rydell Malancon (210) is solid at one outside spot, with help from Tim Joiner (218). Left outside linebacker is a question mark with non-lettermen Marcus Moore (218), Sean Moore (208), and Jeff Waits (223) in contention.

Two starters and three more players with experience return in the secondary. James Britt (190) and Alvin Thomas (185), at the corners,



Florida QB Wayne Peace passed for 286 yards in game last season.

lead the way. Liffort Hobley (190) should see plenty of playing time. Junior Alex Clark (198) has the edge at strong safety, where Scott Watson (204) is also vying. Tommy Boudreau (202) seems settled at free safety.

Junior right tackle Ramsey Dardar (248), with 77 stops, four fumble recoveries, two blocked kicks, and five sacks, leads the defensive line. Sophomore Clint Berry, 6-6, 265, is waiting his turn. On the other side, juniors Bill Elko, a 6-5, 252-pound transfer from Arizona State, and Dean Guidry, a 6-4, 258-pound junior-college transfer will battle. Leonard Marshall (270) is back at noseguard with Greg Bowser (240) providing bench strength.

Kicker David Johnston led the team in scoring with 42 points, including 24 of 25 extra points. He also punted for a 39-yard average.

With all this youth and what the Tigers consider an excellent recruiting year, LSU may still be a year away from challenging for the SEC title. Expect some freshmen to contribute immediately. Also expect the Tigers to make some mighty big noises over the next few seasons.

TENNESSEE

It is time for something good to happen in John Majors's restoration program. The schedule is more reasonable but problems remain.

Only 11 seniors return—two on defense—from a 5-6 squad, and the Vols are still trying to establish a quarterback and powerful fullback. The offensive line must be rebuilt and the defensive secondary has one player—junior Bill Bates—with any experience.

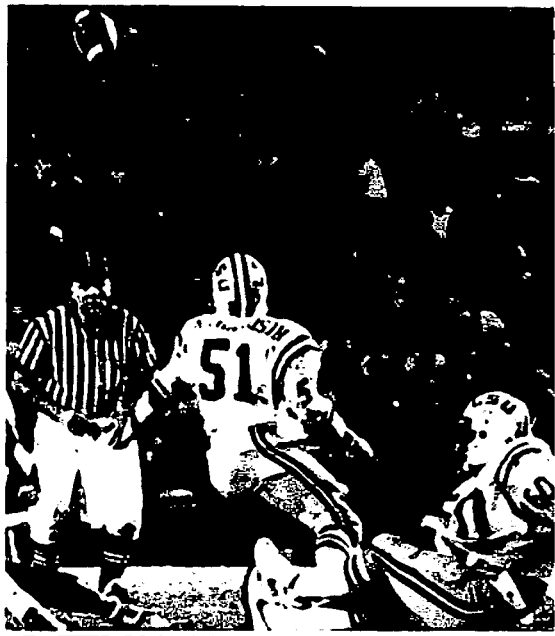
On top of that, the Vol's first two games are on the road—at defending national champ Georgia and perennial power Southern Cal. What may be the redeeming factors for the Vols are a weak home schedule and a promising defense, despite the inexperienced secondary.

Senior Brian Ingram (225) returns to defensive end after a red-shirt year with a neck injury. Lamont Holt Jeffers (189) anchors the other side after moving from linebacker. Depth, however, poses a problem here, as it does at most positions. Sophomores Bret Aitchison (220) and Johnny McAdams (220) will be the backups.

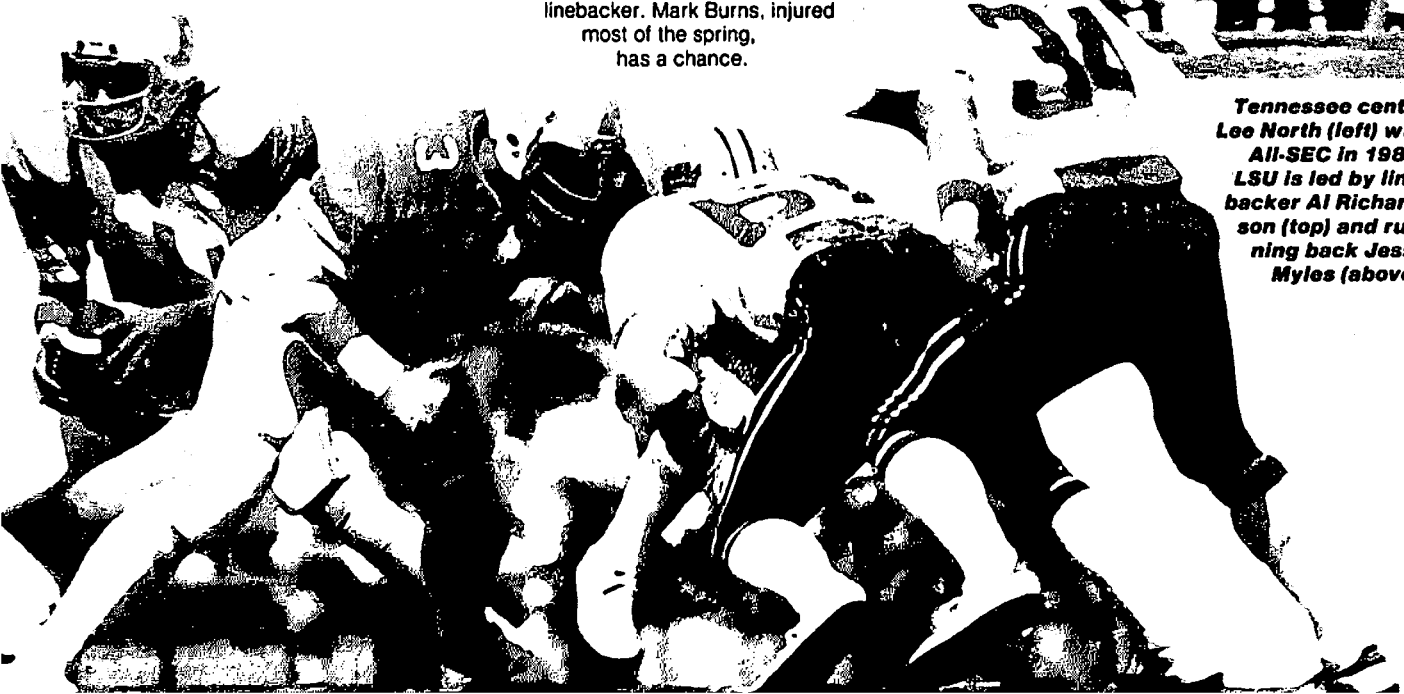
The defensive line will be young but tough. Sophomore Reggie White (238) could make some all-star teams. He's quick, aggressive, and dedicated. Sophomore noseguard Leonard (Stonewall) Jackson (230) has some big shoes to fill since Jimmy Noonan has graduated. But Jackson, in the mold of Noonan, shows promise. Chris Wampler (238) returns to the other tackle after starting most of 1980. Mike Casteel (225) has moved from defensive end.

Barring injury, linebacker could be a bright spot. Mike L. Cofer, out most of last season with a knee injury, switches from defensive end. His biggest assets are size—6-5, 230—and quickness. Depending on the adjustment from end, he could be the Vols' best defensive player. Mark Studaway (230), former tackle, could emerge as the other linebacker. Mark Burns, injured most of the spring, has a chance.

Bates (190) is in his third year as a starter and will play strong safety. Junior Lee Jenkins (183) took over a corner at the end of last year and is firmly implanted. Carlton Peoples (179) and Joe Cozart (175) will battle for the other corner. Daryl Harper (187) has the lead at free safety. Terry Daniels (170), switched from running back, has needed speed.







Tennessee center Lee North (left) was All-SEC in 1980; LSU is led by linebacker Al Richardson (top) and running back Jesse Myles (above).

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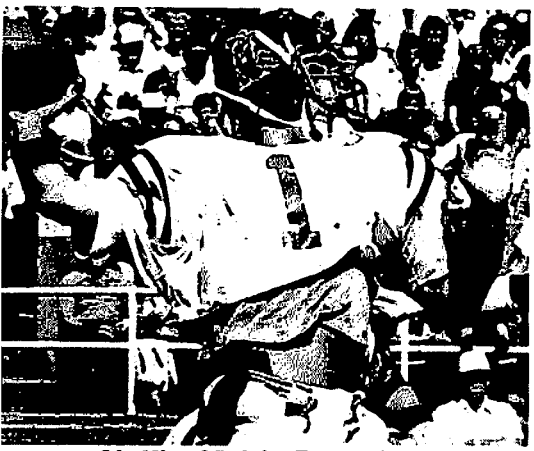
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Ole Miss QB John Fourcade broke Archie Manning's record for total offense.

The situation on offense isn't much different. Steve Alatorre (180) has the edge at quarterback, which he shared last year with Jeff Olszewski (194). Neither has been consistent enough to keep the job. Incoming freshman Alan Cockrell, 6-2, 218, has credentials and could manage.

Running backs and receivers are the strongest parts of the team. Olympic sprinter Willie Gault (170)—who tied an NCAA record by returning three kickoffs for touchdowns last year—and world-class hurdler Anthony Hancock (180) hold down the wide-outs. Junior Doug Parrish (185) could probably start at many schools. Mike Miller (181) and Lenny Taylor (174) add good depth.

Senior James Berry (184) returns for his fourth year as a regular after leading the team in rushing last year with 544 yards. Sophomore Randall Morris (190), a converted quarterback, will press for playing time. Chuck Coleman, redshirted last year, emerged with an excellent spring at tailback. Sophomore Vernon Phillips (195) and junior-college transfer Doug Furnas (215) will fight for fullback. Neither is as big as Majors would like, but both are good blockers. Furnas is a weight-lifter going after NCAA records.

Tight end is a major problem with the graduation of Reggie Harper. Mike E. Cofer (226) will open, but freshmen will get early looks.

Three offensive line spots must be filled. Senior center Lee North (250) returns for what should be an all-star year. He will provide stability. Guard Dwight Wilson (235) started last year and may be pressed this time around. David James (243) has the lead at the other guard with Rory Cunningham (239), Charles Gillespie (244), and JC transfer Mike Furnas (250) in the hunt. Sophomores Curt Singer (240) and Steve Knight (250) have a shot at tackles with John Matthews (257) also in contention. Highly touted freshman Bill Mayo—6-4, 265—may see quite a bit of action.

The kicking game needs help. Leading scorer Alan Duncan graduated. Last season's punter, John Warren, inconsistent at times, will try his hand as place-kicker. Incoming freshman Jimmy Colquitt, nephew of Pittsburgh Steeler Craig Colquitt, could become the punter.

AUBURN

The Dye has been cast. It's just a matter of time. At least that's what Auburn people are saying now that Pat Dye is head coach and athletic director. Optimism always accompanies a new head coach and it's possible the Tigers' Dye will not fly this season.

Depth will be a critical problem, especially in the defensive line. Seven starters must be replaced on offense. The team will be scrappier and maybe tougher to beat than last year's. Improvement may not show in SEC standings.

"We've looked at everybody," says Dye, "and there's no question we have talent. My concern is that we don't have enough at certain positions."

Like the defensive line. Returning end Edmund Nelson (252) has been switched to tackle. He'll team with Donnie Humphrey (258) as key people in the 5-2 alignment. Ends will be Quency Williams (211) and Jeff Jackson (224), former linebacker. James Wallace (266) is an anchor-to-be at middle guard, Vernon Blackard (226), Scott Fitzgerald (265), Scott Reilly (215), and Dowe Aughtman (277) may be able to help. Linebacker could be a strength with returning starter Danny Skutack (207) and rugged Christopher Martin (227).

Bob Harris, outstanding as a sophomore but idle last season with a leg injury, is 20 pounds larger at 214 and will be a leader in the secondary. Darryl Wilks (178) returns at free safety. Johnny Green (190) is expected at one corner, despite a knee injury that cost him spring drills. If Johnny can't go, Dennis Collier (184) will play. Greg Tutt (174) is the other corner.

On offense, obvious trouble spots are tight end and fullback. Edward West (234) could be the solution at tight end but he's busy at fullback, providing power blocking. Mike Edwards (196), a wide receiver by trade, is the No. 1 tight end. If recruits can help at fullback (Ron O'Neal, 245, is a possibility), West can help at TE.

Sam DeJarnette (182) and Lyonel James (only 5-6, 162) are first-team halfbacks. DeJarnette didn't play a whole lot last year because a guy named James Brooks was there. But he played enough to rush for 215 yards, including a 69-yard touchdown from scrimmage and 100-yard TD gallop with a kickoff. Thomas Coffey (184) and Jeff Cunningham (208) are also in the picture.

Quarterback could go to either Joe Sullivan (184) or Charlie Thomas (200), both of whom started at times last year. Thomas may have the edge since Dye will run the wishbone, but Dye thinks Sullivan might surprise some people.

"Joe Sullivan can run the option as well as anybody," Dye says. "He may not be able to turn the corner for 50 or 60 yards, but he can turn it and pick up five yards at a time. You don't have to have great ability to make the wishbone work. You can win without it because the nature of the offense allows you to win on execution." Red-shirt Randy Campbell (170) may press for playing time as well.

At wide receiver, Auburn returns three lettermen, with Chris Woods (180) in the lead. Chuck Clanton (180) fell behind when he missed spring workouts with an injury.

Two starters return on the line. Left guard Keith Uecker (262) and center Bishop Reeves (225) should have fine years but the rest of the line will have to be patched together. Phillip Hall (240) or Charlie Garnham (220) will go at the other guard. Tackles are David Jordan (245) and Pat Arrington (255). Chip Creel (238), Charlie Garnham (220), Mitch Gilstrap (235), Mike Shirey (193), and Greg Zipp (246) are in reserve.

All the kickers return, which means Alan Bollinger will punt, Al Del Greco will handle placements, and Dave Blanks the kickoffs.

MISSISSIPPI

Despite leading the SEC in total offense last year, the Rebels played simply Miss-erably across the defensive front, allowing an average of 256 yards rushing a game and 266 total points.

But some of those problems can be attributed to youth. This year, the Rebels, in Steve Sloan's fourth season, return 49 of 60 lettermen and 10 defensive starters.



Tennessee wide receiver Anthony Hancock averaged almost 18 yards per catch.

"It's pretty obvious you don't have a chance to win a football game if you can't stop the run," Sloan says. "This is the first year that we've had a chance to have a good defense because some of our young players are showing maturity. We also made some personnel switches that should help us."

The biggest change involves Kinny Hooper (217), the starting fullback the last two years who moves to linebacker in the new 4-3 alignment. Hooper was the leading rusher last fall with 619 yards. James Otis (200), a defensive end last season, missed spring workouts because of a knee injury; he is expected to move to linebacker as well.

Keith Fourcade (210) and Nakita Williams

(233) have significant experience at linebacker and a fierce determination to keep their jobs. Another linebacker, Conrad McCrary (201), who had 45 tackles, missed spring workouts because of injury, as did defensive backs Phil Freightman (183), Clay Williams (180), Louis Jackson (175), and Bobo Thomas (187).

Running back Johnny Armstrong (180) has been moved to the secondary, along with quarterback Skip Lane (183). Melvin Brown (183) returns in the secondary after making 54 tackles. Johnny Burrow (185) and Brad White (175) are also back.

On the line, Bryan Kennedy (220) and Woody Grigg (232) have moved to defensive end after lining up at tackle in 1980. Kenneth Dotson (235) will also be on the line, along with senior Phillip Wyllie (223), fourth on the team in tackles and tied for the lead in fumble recoveries with two.

Tony Dalton (254) and Andy Shaw (226) move from defensive to offensive line where the Rebels lost some starters to graduation. Key performers Pat Phenix (255), Steve Herring (246), and Russ Mitchell (253) return.

Tight end is a question mark. Steve Dearie (220) and David McMillin (215) will get a chance, but don't be surprised if a freshman moves into the picture.

All-star candidate John Fourcade (6-1, 212), All-SEC quarterback last year after breaking Archie Manning's record for total offense in one season with 2,299 yards, returns for his senior year. The Rebels rolled up 389.6 yards a game, the first time since 1963 they led the SEC in total offense.

Working behind Fourcade will be running backs Malvin Gipson (182), Andre Thomas (214), Buford McGee (210), Danny Jansen (194), and Adolph Ducksworth (198). Also, big Dale Erves (6-1, 233) has moved to fullback from linebacker.

Leading receiver Ken Toler graduated and second-leading receiver Breck Tyler (199) missed spring workouts following knee surgery. Tyler had 33 receptions for 535 yards. Other top receivers on hand are Mike Harmon (200), who had 20 catches, and Gino English (155), who had 18.

The kicking game is solid with punter Darryl Graham bringing back his 40.5-yard average and with place-kicker Todd Gatlin, who scored 43 points.

The schedule could pose a problem, with only four home games and seven teams that went to bowls in 1980. The Rebels open with three straight road battles.

KENTUCKY

Fifteen starters and 40 lettermen return for the Wildcats, and coach Fran Curci will need solid performances from every one of them if he hopes to improve on last year's 3-8 campaign.

It won't be easy. First of all, Curci has to replace All-SEC center Ken Roark. In spring drills, Steve Hricenak (226), a senior guard who missed all last season with a broken arm, was the only veteran listed at that position. Junior John Maddox (223), who has never lettered, will be given a shot.

Defense has three big gaps to fill with the departure of right tackle Tim Gooch, linebacker Chuck Smith, and safety Chris Jacobs, causing Curci to claim, "Our main concern is defense. We must replace five starters. We've been young on defense the last two years, and we're still short on age and experience."

Sophomores Keither Martin (232)—who saw spot duty last year—and Ron Knott (231) will battle for Gooch's tackle spot. Letterman James Bowen (230) and Jeff Smith (235) vie on the left side. Senior noseguard Effley Brooks (230) returns. He'll be spelled by either Mike Duncan (215) or Chris Ference (230). Freshman signee John McVeight, 6-2, 215, may also be looked at.

Defensive end Don Fielder (227), a starter in 1979 before being sidelined last year, returns. Junior Dave Lyons (202) will be on the other side. Don Roe (205) and Steve Willis (200) will be the reserves.

Sophomore Kevin McClelland (195), who saw some action last year, will step in for Smith at one linebacking spot. Veteran Scott Schroeder (199) holds the other. He led the team with 82 solo tackles and 62 assists in 1980. Junior Ben Ansley (213) is a valuable reserve.

Returning in the secondary are senior strong safety Greg Long (190), senior corner Venus Meaux (186), and junior free safety Andy Molls (181), a two-year starter who broke his ankle early in the 1980 season but came back to finish second on the team in interceptions with two. Sophomore Ty Richmond (205) will fill in for Jacobs, who had three interceptions. Juniors Tom Petty (180) and Ben Johnson (180) are key backups.

Henry Parks (170) has moved from running back to flanker, where he could be the only senior starting in the backfield. Greg Wimberly (170) appeared in the final five games last year, catching 18 passes for 405 yards and a TD.

Senior tight end Jim Campbell (224) led the team with 33 catches for 394 yards and four touchdowns. Split end Allan Watson (186) was second with 30 catches for 536 yards. He caught a school-record 11 in one game.

Running back Pete Venable (192), back from a year out, has potential to be Kentucky's best runner since Sonny Collins. Fullback Shawn Donigan (213) and running back Chris Jones (196) return after missing 1980 with injuries. In 1979, they combined for 1,617 yards. Among the other returning offensive backs are senior Charlie Jackson (187) and junior Richard Abraham (230).

Quarterback will go to either sophomore Randy Jenkins (190) or Terry Henry (192), both of whom have started at times. Jenkins completed 61 passes for 782 yards but threw 15 interceptions. Henry, after playing quarterback, his freshman year, split time as a running back, becoming the second-leading rusher with 313 yards and three TD's.

Besides Hricenak, the offensive line returns guards David Bond (245) and Robert Cobb (240) and tackles Richard Adams (236) and Gerald Smyth (259), all starters at one time or another. The Wildcats may have some immediate help from top freshman signee Doug Williams, a 6-6, 265 tackle from Cincinnati Moeller.

Place-kicker Tom Criggs, who led the team in scoring with 43 points, returns, as does punter Randy Jenkins, who had a 39.6 average.

"Don't look for us to do anything tricky," says Curci. "It's just a matter of lining up and going at people, hoping we can match up."

VANDERBILT

It may sound like a contradiction, but coach George MacIntyre, overloaded with youth once again, is excited about some "veteran" sophomores.

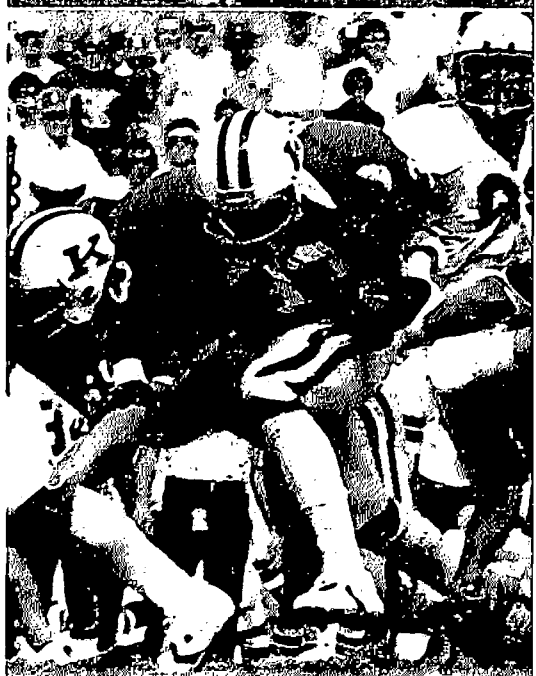
"This sounds funny, but we're experienced, too," MacIntyre says. "We opened last season with five freshmen starters, and six others played a great deal."

Yes, but they played on a 2-9 team. Even so, MacIntyre has a hard time hiding his enthusiasm, especially with renovation to Dudley Field, which will increase capacity from 34,000 to 41,000.

The Commodores will need plenty of help if they expect to stay afloat in the SEC. They are set at all but a few positions and MacIntyre has switched several players to plug holes. One of those is Joey Hancock (229), who has moved to center. Ken Hammond (278) draws raves as a senior guard. Pat Saindon (263) goes on the other side. Strong tackle is a question mark with David Cathey (262) and Dennis Garman (242) in the picture. Defensive lineman Rob Monaco (243) moved to guard in the spring and may start. Loie Hudgins (270) starts at quick tackle.

Tight end is a sore spot. MacIntyre says it





Tight end Jim Campbell (top) and running back Chris Jones (right) are offensive strengths for Kentucky.



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could be manned by a freshman. Converted lineman Greg Simmons (249) and Allama Matthews (206) are in the running. Split end is secure with Wamon Buggs (196) returning after a 1980 season which saw him rank second in the SEC with 37 catches.

In the backfield, Keith Edwards (190) and Phil Roach (194) will vie for flanker, a crucial position in new offensive coordinator Watson Brown's alignment. Tailback is questionable. Returnee James (Punkin) Williams quit this spring. Jim Bronner (162) is in the wings with Norman Jordan (190). Fullback will be a question mark with Artis Warthen (219), junior-college transfer Ernie Goolsby (229), and perhaps a freshman all having a chance.

Quarterback is up in the air. Five-year player Van Heflin was not in school in the spring. He needs 15 hours of summer school to remain eligible. Junior Whit Taylor (178), who passed for 899 yards, sits at No. 1 with Gary Kimball (174) the backup.

Defense looks fairly strong across the board. Two-year starter John Clemens (234) returns at end. He had 74 tackles last season. Sophomore Steve Bearden (221) has moved to the other side,where he will compete with Bob O'Connor.

Sophomore Karl Jordan (240) has moved from offense to plug a hole at defensive tackle, where only Tim Moore (233) returns. Moore underwent surgery on his jaw this winter. Willie Twyford (238), Allen Cannon (250), and Bill Fletcher (250) are also very much in MacIntyre's plans.



Miami offensive tackle John Canel (left) and Florida State punter Rohn Stark

Linebacker was to be the strongest position on the team. Andrew Coleman (225)—174 tackles last year—returns as a star, but Tim Bryant, a starter as a freshman, quit the squad. Joe Staley (194) has been moved from defensive end to help. Zack Spratling (200), Terry Dugan (209), junior-college transfer Chris Gutierrez (215), and Mike Matthews (196) have potential.

Returnees Leonard Coleman (198), Tommy Burson (179), and Manuel Young (178) make the secondary strong. Marcus Williams (183) has been switched from the offensive backfield to shore up the weak spot: cornerback. Marcus Brown may return. Mark Matthews (187) and Kenny Brown (190) will compete for a cornerback spot.

All-SEC performer Jim Arnold brings his 44.2-yard punting average back for another year. Senior Mike Woodard will handle placements.

INDEPENDENTS

MIAMI

When coach Howard Schnellenberger took over the Hurricane program two years ago, he said his big aim was to bring the national championship to Miami. It's not that no one believed him, but, after all, Miami has a little less tradition than Alabama or Notre Dame.

After last season, though, Schnellenberger may have made believers out of skeptics. All the Hurricanes did was win nine games and the Peach Bowl title, finish No. 18 in the polls, set school records for total offense (3,756 yards) and scoring (258 points), and field the nation's No. 1 defense for part of the year. Furthermore, they won the mythical championship of Florida, by defeating Florida, Florida State, and Florida A&M.

What can they do for an encore? Well, if returning most of your starters and lettermen is any indication, the potential seems limitless.

First of all, quarterback Jim Kelly (210) returns after wreaking havoc in opposing secondaries. As a sophomore sensation, Kelly completed 109 of 206 passes for 52.9 percent and 1,519 yards. He also threw for 11 TD's, tying the school record.

Starters Smokey Roan (185)—who set a school record with 249 yards in one game—and Chris Hobbs (186) return at the running backs, along with four other experienced backs. Miami will also regain the services of Gary Breckner (210), the starting fullback until he was injured in the third game.

Larry Brodsky (185), who led the team in receiving the past two years, and Rocky Belk (187), the fastest man ever to play for Miami with a 9.4 100, are back.

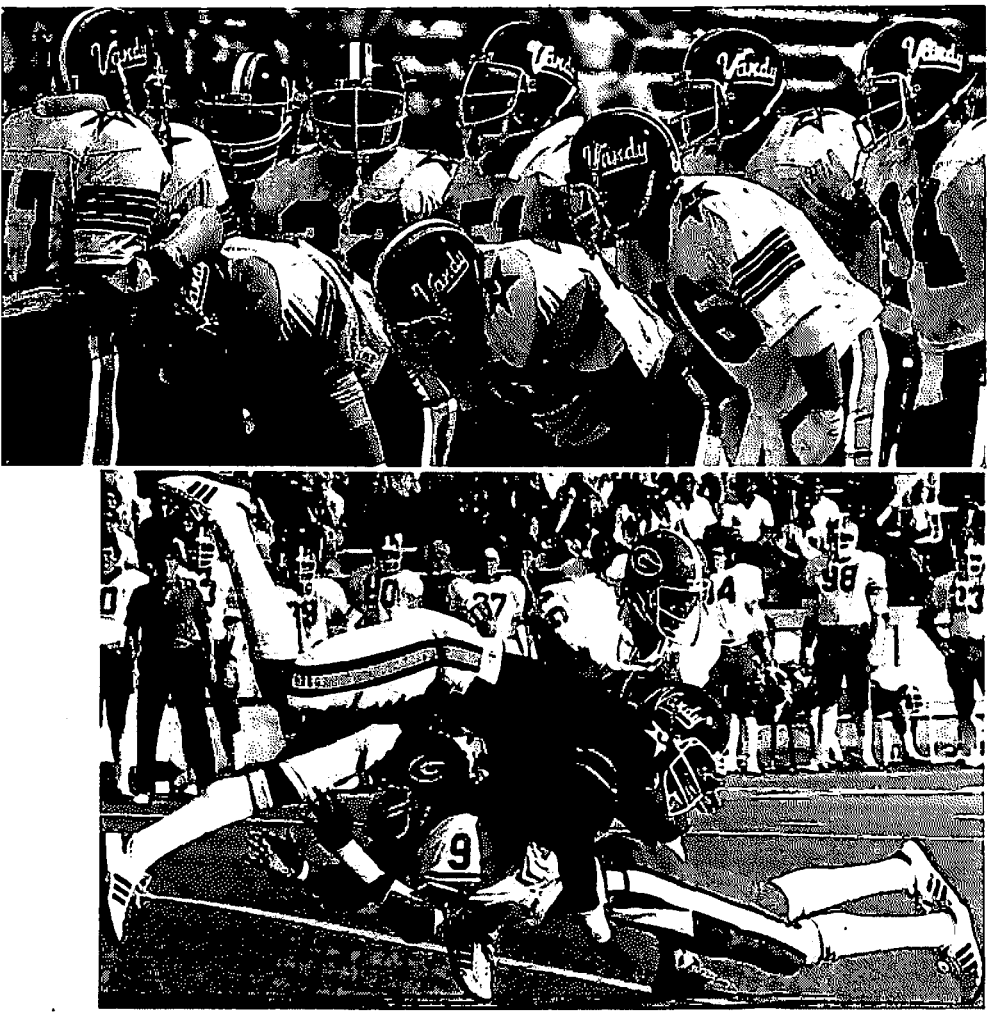
All-America candidate John Canel, 6-5, 255, leads the offensive line at left tackle. Senior Frank Frazier (263) is at the other tackle, with senior Clem Barbarino (245) and sophomore Mike Moore (235) at the guards. Junior Don Bailey (231) is the center. Andy Baratta (215) and Mark Cooper (232) are tight ends.

The defense, which held Florida State to 25 yards on the ground, could be tough again. Tackle Lester Williams (278) anchors the front line. Tony Chickillo (244) is at noseguard with Fuzzy Nelson (250) at the other tackle. Senior Tim Flanagan (216) is at one end, sophomore Isaiah West (229) at the other.

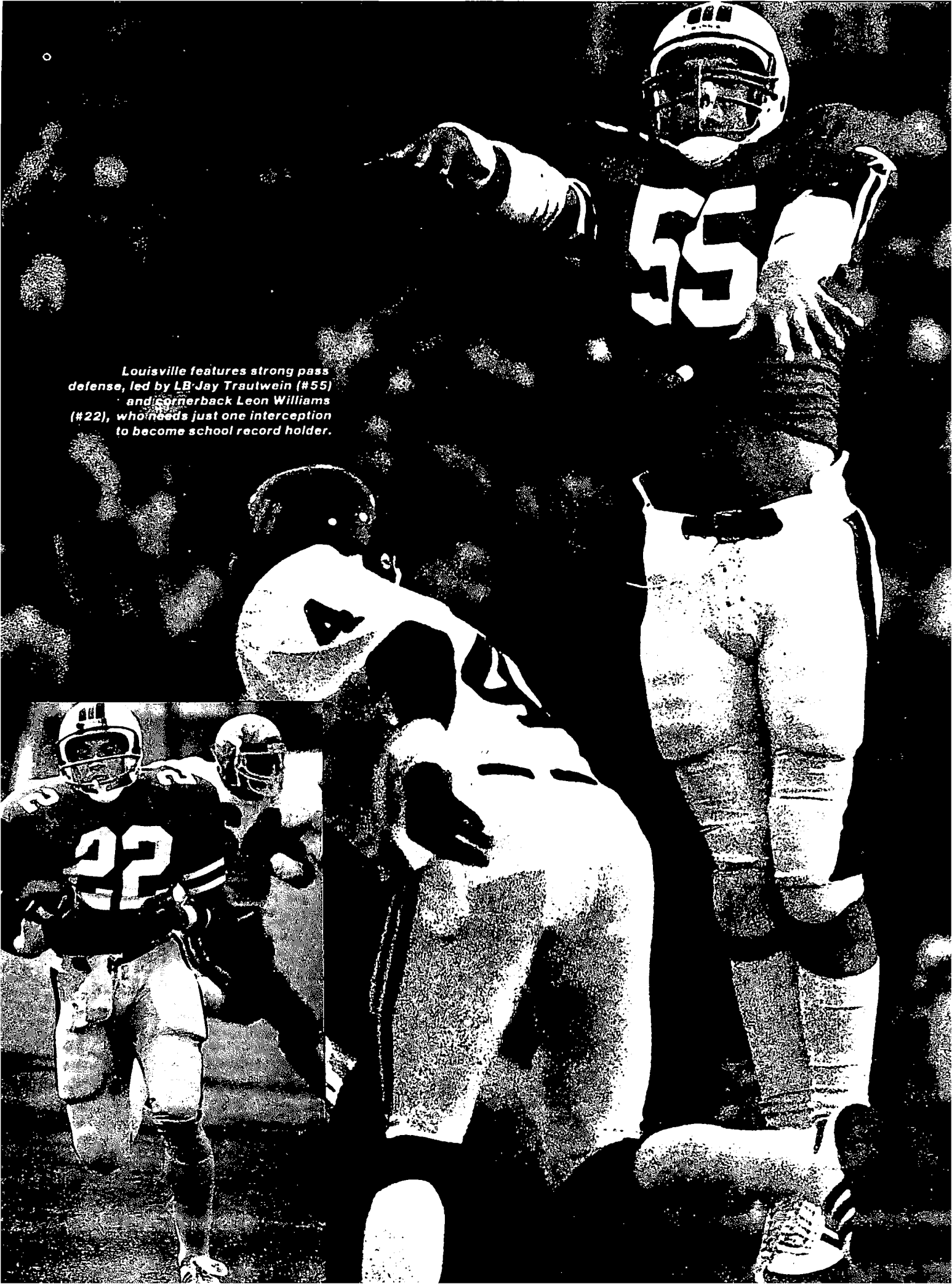
Linebacker Scott Nicolas (226) seems certain to break Ted Hendricks's school record of 347 career tackles. He already has 322. Junior Greg Brown (222) is the other linebacker.

Senior free safety Fred Marion (194) had seven interceptions last year and seems a cinch to break the Miami career record. Junior Ron Lippett (174), who had three interceptions for 118 yards in returns, is back at a corner. Jamie Boone (202) will go at the other corner with David Jefferson (234) the rover. All the secondary reserves are sophomores.

Top scorer Dan Miller returns to handle placements. Junior Greg LaBelle will once again handle punting chores, after a 40.6-yard average in 1980.



Linebacker Andrew Coleman (#47 top) provides defense and wide receiver Wamon Buggs (left) offense for Vanderbilt.



Louisville features strong pass defense, led by LB Jay Trautwein (#55) and cornerback Leon Williams (#22), who needs just one interception to become school record holder.

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FLORIDA STATE

How tough is Florida State's road schedule? Well, when you consider the Seminoles play—in succession—Nebraska, Ohio State, Notre Dame, Pittsburgh, and LSU, their road trips could turn out to be reminiscent of the Bataan Death March.

On top of that, the Seminoles lost 14 starters from last year's fifth-ranked team. Despite what they call an "excellent" recruiting year, a third straight Orange Bowl appearance seems unlikely.

Among the few bright spots in this rebuilding year is returning quarterback Rick Stockstill (185), who threw for 1,377 yards and 15 touchdowns with only eight interceptions last fall. If he is injured, there may be a problem. Potential backups Blair Williams (180), Bob Davis (190), and Rick Taylor (180) have little experience.

Returning fullback Mike Whiting (200) led the team in receiving with 25 catches. He'll be joined in the backfield by letterman Ricky Williams (170), a backup most of the time. Ernie Sims (215), Ken Burnett (198), and Darrish Davis (200) will also contribute.

Hardis Johnson (170)—who averages a touchdown every three receptions—and Phil Williams (170) are two of three players who shared starting assignments at wide receiver last year. Dennis McKinnon (175) could also be a factor. Sam Childres (210) returns at tight end, where he caught 20 passes, second-best on the team. Backup Zeke Mowatt (232) is also back.

The major reconstruction job on offense will be in the line, where four starters graduated. The only holdover is senior Tom Brannon (250), who will move from tackle to guard. Bob Merson (240) will be counted on at center. He was a backup last year before injuring a knee in the third game. The other guard is wide-open, with Redus Coggin (230), Danny Collier (260), and Eric Ryan (255) in the race. Leading candidates at tackle are Barry Voltapetti (255), Herbert Harp (275), Ricky Render (240), and Terry Widner (250).

The Seminoles led the nation in scoring defense and were second in total defense last year. But eight starters are gone, including two-time consensus All-America noseguard Ron Simmons. James Gilbert (240), who saw considerable playing time last year, is the heir apparent to Simmons's spot. Several players are in the running for backup.

Jarvis Coursey (200) returns at end, one of the few 1980 starters. Scott McLean (235) saw plenty of action and could start. His brother John (220), Mark Rodrigue (205), and Allen Dale Campbell (225) will get long looks as will Kelly Lowrey (210), last year's backup quarterback. Garry Futch (240) is a returning starter at tackle. Sophomores Alphonso Carreker (240), Chris Nickrenz (250), and David Ponder (200) are in the running for the other spot.

Ron Hester (210), a reserve who finished fifth on the team with 60 tackles, leads the linebacking corps. John Houston (200), Brian Williams (210), and Ellis Singletary (210) will battle for the other starting slot.

Three three-year starters are gone, leaving James Harris (180) as the only secondary player with much experience. Harvey Clayton (170) and Greg Thompson (180) will vie for the corner opposite him. Gary Henry (185) has the inside track at one safety spot, with converted wide receiver Eric Riley (165), ex-running back Larry Harris (195), and Greg Gary (170) also in the picture.



All-America tight end Rodney Holman (above) and wide receiver Robert Griffin (below) are Tulane's best.

All-America Rohn Stark brings back his 45.1-yard punting average. Place-kicker apparently will belong to freshman Mike Rendina, the most heavily recruited high school kicker in the nation and the only placement specialist named to the *Parade* and *Scholastic Coach* magazine All-America teams.

SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

The offensive line and half the secondary must be rebuilt, but coach Bobby Collins has the Southern Mississippi situation firmly in hand.

Fourteen starters return from the 9-3 Independence Bowl champs, including senior tailback Sammy Winder (191), who led the nation in scoring last year with 120 points on 20 touchdowns. He also rushed for 996 yards and a 4.2 average. His backup is also a senior, Ricky Floyd (168), who rushed for 382 yards. Fullbacks Neal Alexander (208), a good blocker, and Clemon Terrell (219), with a 5.1-yard average, are also back.



Junior quarterback Reggie Collier, 6-4, 204, passed for 1,268 yards. Senior Davy Sellers (203) is an experienced reserve.

Senior Mike Livings (174) caught 23 passes a year ago and holds down flanker. Louis Lipps (175) may also see action. Junior Don Horn (164), who caught 20 passes, leads at split end, but 6-3, 198 backup Derrick Odom is a big target. Two-year lettermen Jim Brown (206) and Raymond Powell (210) will battle at tight end.

Starting tackle Joey Hendrix (255) missed the bowl game and spring workouts with knee surgery. He should be ready for the fall. Junior Glen Howe, 6-6, 257, has the other tackle while Charley Carter (222) tries to work his way in. Senior Dale Fife (215) challenged for playing time last year. He and sophomore Fred Richards (233) are the likely starters at guard. Jyon Corbett (235) and Mike Poulin (215) are the reserves. Bill Mann (222) and Steve Carmody (211) are the leading hopefuls at center.

On defense, ends Rhett Whitley (202) and George Tillman (202) loom as starters. Senior Robert Phillips (220) is an experienced backup. Charley Jenkins (242) and Moochie Allen (258) will go at the tackles with help from senior Richard Long (242). Jerald Baylis (219) is set at noseguard, but junior Larry Alford (226) will start somewhere along the line if his knee mends as expected.

Returning linebacker Ron Brown (208) made 125 tackles last year to lead the team. Sophomore Greg Kelley (200) and junior Mark Carmichael (210) will battle for the other linebacking position.

Senior Art Newberry (167) and junior Eddie Ray Walker (165) both saw starting time at the right corner a year ago. Newberry moved to the left side in the spring. Sophomores will provide depth. Three-year letterman Danny Jackson (174) will again be the starter at free safety. Junior Mike Alford (176) is waiting his turn. Juniors Mike Schiro (172) and Jon Burkett (193) are contenders for strong safety.

Junior punter Bruce Thompson comes back with this 40.1-yard average and impressive hang time that helped the Eagles rank seventh in the nation in net punting. Junior Shane Gabourel kicked off last year and may also handle placements in 1981.

TULANE

If Vince Gibson can throw together an offensive line which will provide quarterback Paul Cantanese with even minimal protection, Tulane may have one of the most potent offenses in the country.

Coming off a 7-5 season which saw the Green Wave average 24 points a game and make its second straight bowl trip, Tulane returns veterans at each of the skill positions.

Cantanese (200) played second fiddle to departed Nickie Hall last year. Hall finished with 2,039 yards passing while Cantanese, now a senior, missed on his only two attempts. Sophomore Wade Elmore (200) is the main competition.

Fullback Kelvin Robinson (195) is giving returning starter Reggie Reginelli (185) all the competition he wants. Both should play a great deal. Tailback Marvin Lewis (207) is back after leading Tulane with 445 yards and a 5.3 average. Tim McCray (195) and Greg Liggett (193) don't have as much experience but could be factors.

The best player on offense is All-America candidate Rodney Holman, a 6-3, 230-pound tight end. Holman, also an excellent blocker, caught 42 passes last year, making his three-year total 108, second-best in Green Wave history. Senior Robert Moses (190) is a dependable backup.

Leading receiver and all-star candidate Robert Griffin (190) leads the wide-outs in this pass-oriented attack. Griffin caught 45 passes for 802 yards and ten touchdowns—including four in one game—last year. Nolan Franz (180) returns on the other side. Reggie Butts (161)—with 126 yards on nine receptions—and Wayne Smith (188) will be the bench strength.

Now for the trouble spot. The entire line is gone. Lettermen Andre Robert (223) at left guard and Leo Janson (222) at center own most of the experience. Sophomores Don Maggs (265) and Frank Roberts (215) will vie at one tackle. Junior Jim Boyle (264) and sophomore Randy Saffy (249) at the other. Sophomore Ken Mackey (249) and junior John Hein (235) line up at right guard. Letterman Tommy Rose (229) will back up Janson at center.

Lionel Washington (183) at corner and Tyrone Smith (175) at free safety are returning starters in the secondary. Senior George Geishouser (195) will go at strong safety with sophomore Gerald Broussard (157) at the other corner. Wayne Grice (151), Paul Crow (190), Donald Thomas (180), and Casey Howard (190) comprise the backup crew.



QB John Holman (above) of NE La. and one of his favorite receivers, Bobby Lewis, follows block.

Outside linebacker Sylvester McGrew (233) is one of just four returning starters on defense. Senior Jeff Roberts (236) will go on the other side with Ricky Goff (212) and David Jackson (224) in the middle.

Bill Lichtenstein (247) returns at tackle, with Brian Douglas (235) and James Sanders (223) expected to see lots of action. Sophomore Vic Perez, 5-10, 254, is slated for noseguard with backup help from Lindsey Cooper.

Vince Manalla is back to punt and place-kick.

LOUISVILLE

They say if you expect the worst, it doesn't matter what happens because you'll be prepared. In that respect, Louisville's Bob Weber was prepared last season, his first as head coach.

But a funny thing happened on the way to disaster. It never came. Despite predictions which, for the most part, had Louisville winning two games, the Cardinals won five, including big ones over Kansas and Southern Mississippi. Four of their six losses were at the hands of bowl-bound teams Florida State, Pittsburgh, Miami, and Florida.

Consequently, Weber isn't expecting doom this time around—especially with 18 starters returning. Part of his outlook stems from having returnees at all the skill positions. Senior tailback Donad Craft (192) rushed for 687 yards. Fullback Greg Hickman (215) returns, as does quarterback Pat Patterson (196). Last year, his first as a starter, Patterson threw for 933 yards. His top target, Mark Clayton (170), played three games with a cast but averaged 19.2 yards a catch—testimony to his broken-field running.

Flanker Kenny Robinson will have to be replaced. Weber will look to Purdue transfer Jeff Speedy (190)—who lives up to his name with a 4.4 in the 40—and senior Wayne Taylor (190). Tight end Mark Wilson (216) averaged 14.8 yards per reception last year. Robert Mitchell (220) split time with Wilson last season and should do the same this year.

The line is experienced with senior center Jim Miller (252) leading the way. The left side of guard John Wall (240) and tackle Pete Bowen (245) is intact. Right guard Mike Nuzzolese (245) needs a partner. Candidates are Tony Campbell (265) and Kelly Stickrod (247).

On defense, Weber wastes no time pointing to the strength.

"Our secondary!" he says. "We have four great players who are proven performers. Last year they combined for 13 of the team's 19 interceptions."

Leon Williams (190), who needs one more theft to become Louisville's all-time leader, led the way with four. Frank Minnifield (180), Sebastian Curry (175), and Ellsworth Larkins (180) had three each.

The defensive front will be built around returnees Richard Tharpe (240) and Lamar Evans (240) and linebackers Jay Trautwein (232), Gene Hagan (218), and Mike Trainor (217). Linebacker Eddie Johnson and defensive tackle Dan Dihtzeruk will have to be replaced.

Punter Mark Blasinsky (39-yard average) returns. Place-kicker is wide open with the graduation of Dave Betz, who made 15 of 16 extra points and kicked 13 field goals, the most ever in a Louisville season.

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA

New coach Pat Collins, who took over when John David Crow resigned to enter private business, steps into one of the brightest moments in NLU history.

Last year, the Indians followed the nation's No. 8 passing game to their best record in 13 years. And with 15 starters back from that 7-4 club, NLU's high-powered attack shows no signs of slowing down.

The major holes Collins must fill are on the defensive line, where both tackles graduated. But Collins is very familiar with those positions since he coached that line last year. Top candidates are Pat Mitchell (229), Charles Watson (240), Danny Dumars (219), Steve Reich (225), and junior-college transfer Kenny Lieux (270).

End Phil Brewer (215), after missing all but one game, returns and is joined by Garry Hines (202), fourth-leading tackler, and Billy Broussard (181). Starter Stan McNair (234) returns at noseguard; Ron Reliford (218), Ricky Sanders (213), and Rob Perry (220) all started at least five games at linebacker. Keith Sims (190), who tied the school record with six interceptions, Roosevelt Straughter (174), Everett Williams (168), and Jody Norman (170), who made the all-South Independent second team, are quality defensive backs. They'll have bench help from senior Billy Joe Triplett (177) and Ernest Hill (178).

NLU's offense could be even more explosive despite the loss of Nathan Johnson, the school's No. 2 all-time rusher. Most of the key figures in the passing attack return, led by junior John Holman (190), who completed 187 passes for 2,444 yards and 15 TD's. Bob Lane (199), a transfer from LSU, is No. 2.

The speedy corps of receivers returns intact, led by Tag Rome (167), who had 41 catches, Mitch Renfro (179) with 29, Bobby Lewis (184) with 27, and Alfred Kinney (163) with 11. Robbie Green (200) and sophomore Dewey McDaniel (225), who caught six passes between them last year, are the leading candidates at tight end.

Feotis Moore (202) returns at fullback after running for 216 yards last year. Backup Dewayne Robinson (194) ran for 182 and led the Indians in touchdowns with eight. Reserves Bobby Craighead (188), Elvin Spears (179), and George Johns (200), who was ineligible last year after leading the team with 602 yards as a freshman in 1979, are the top candidates to replace Johnson at tailback.

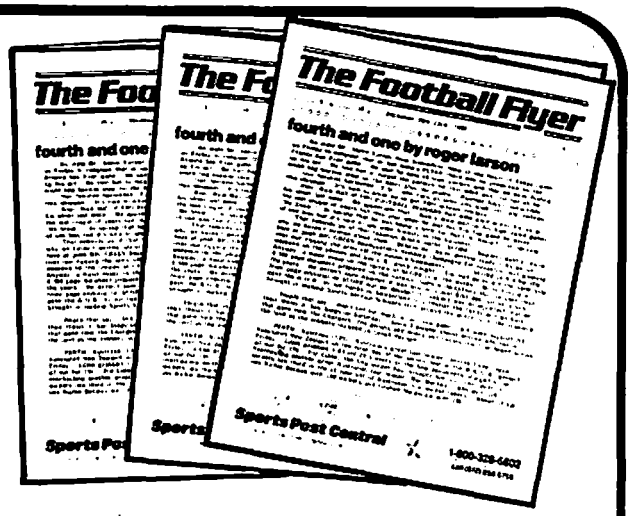
Up front, center Arthur Christophe (218), guard Mike Lyons (221), and Scott Boucher (250) and Kenny Roberts (258), who alternated at tackle, are back. Roberts will probably go at guard while sophomore Guinn Sowell (255) moves in at the other tackle. Senior Mark Lyons (221) has the other guard slot. Senior Steve Highsmith (221) and junior Jimmy Chandler (230) are backups.

Punter Bill Weimer, who averaged 37.2 yards, returns and may handle placements since Bubba Toups, who set 13 records, graduated.



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TENNESSEE STATE

Just because they lost their 747 doesn't mean the Tigers will be grounded this year.

Joe "747" Adams, the mad bomber who holds every TSU passing record, is gone, but four of the top five receivers return. Although they will be running more than in the past few years, the Tigers will still be able to put it up when they want.

Juniors Brian Ranson (185), who threw just four passes last year, and Marvin Fleming (200), who didn't throw any, will battle for Adams's spot. Ransom knows the system better, but Fleming has more natural ability.

Leading receiver Mike Jones (182) returns to split end after catching 55 passes for 934 yards and 13 touchdowns last season. Sophomore flanker Golden Tate (195) was the third-leading receiver with 21 catches. Kenneth Gardner (215) will be the tight end after grabbing 17 aerials in six games.

Senior Morris Harris (206) returns to running back after gaining 368 yards with a 6.7-yard average last year. He'll be joined in the backfield by Steve Turner (200) and Gregory Pratt (188). Rodney Pope (195) may also be in the picture.

Walter Tate (237), a backup last year, will move in at center. The offensive tackles will come from a group led by Donald Laster (265), Curtis Mitchell (310), and Russell Phillips (245). Steve Moore (290), who has been moved from tackle, and Will Doughty (240) are at guard.

"Overall on offense, we should be in good shape, with our starting 11," says coach John Merritt.

Four starters return on defense, including tackles Malcolm Taylor (250) and Richard Dent (233), who has been moved from end. Darryl Caldwell (225), Robert Boyd (210), Willie McGurdy (227), and Dwayne Roberts (227) lead the hopefuls at end. John Johnson (230) and Wilbur Smith (235) will battle for middle guard.

Primes Bobo (208), last season's leading tackler, heads the linebacking corps. Warren Turner (215) may start alongside Bobo. Vynell Henderson (209), moved from defensive end, and Dorrian Lee (205) will fight for playing time.

The secondary will be one of the trouble spots. Free safety Bryan Howard (195) is the lone returning starter. Roger Robinson (185), Thomas Headen (195), Mickey Avery (185), Joe Fleming (172), Clyde Ward (178), and Nate Jones (185) are all candidates for the other three spots.

Placements will be handled by Larry Watkins, last year's leading scorer. Headen will do most of the punting.

MEMPHIS STATE

New coach Rex Dockery could have gotten off to a better start. The first week of spring practice, leading rusher Richard Williams broke the same ankle he broke against Florida State in the seventh game of 1980. Williams, who rushed for more than 100 yards in each of the four games he started after being used mainly as a kick returner, missed all of spring drills. He is expected back for the season opener, though. He'll be sorely needed if Memphis State hopes to rebound from last year's 2-9 disaster.

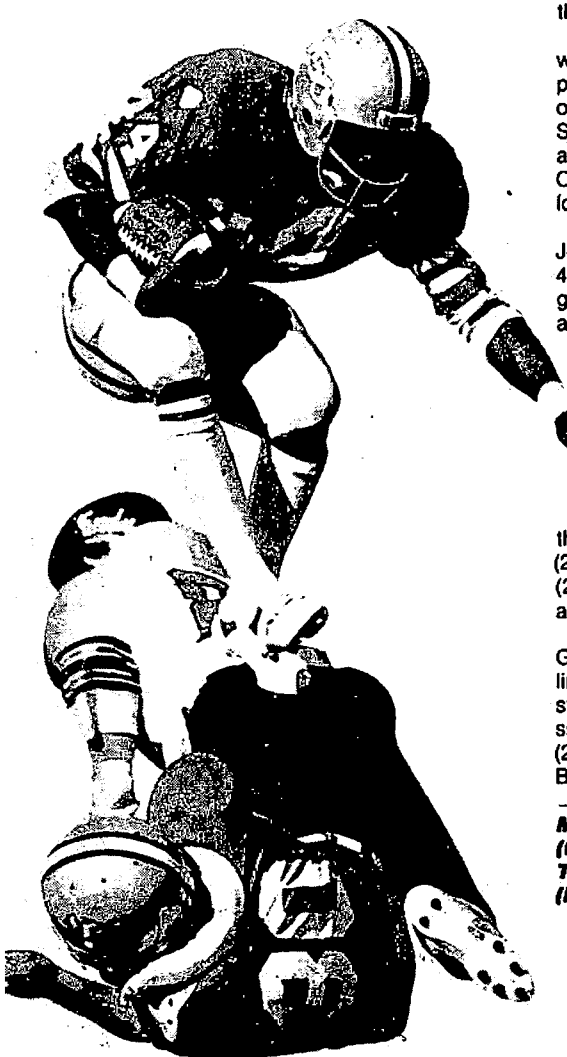
Tony Wiley (182), the second-leading rusher last season, worked in Williams's place. He will see plenty of action. Tiny Mike Dion, 5-6, 175, will also challenge as the Tigers return their six top rushers. Danny Felts (177) is the other back in Dockery's multiple-offense alignment. Anthony Parker (190) is a backup.

Darrell Martin (175) returns at quarterback, where he hopes to rebound from a 1980 campaign that saw him complete just 39.4 percent of his passes and throw 16 interceptions. Tom Smith (180) is expected to challenge in the fall after missing spring drills with an operation. Converted running back Greg Sanders (175) looked good in the spring.

The top five receivers return, led by flanker Jerry Knowlton (155), who caught 27 passes for 470 yards and four TD's. John Bowers (177) goes on the other side. Michael Harper (195) and Derrick Crawford (175) also return. Darrell Nelson (215) is a solid tight end.

Dockery did a lot of juggling along the line and may still insert a freshman before it's all over. Clifford Masters (238) and Tim Mason (230) are good bets at tackles, but Bailey Lowery, 6-6, 250, started last year and should start again despite missing the spring with a neck injury. Phil Sutherlin (232) became the center after Geddes Self (224) had knee surgery. Tom Dorian (235) and Larry Milligan (225) have the lead at guard.

Defense will see a drastic change to the Georgia wide-tackle six. Former Bulldog linebacker Chip Wisdom came to oversee construction. He has a good foundation in defensive end Stanley Adams (210). Duane Marshall (215) starts at the other end, but top signee Ray Brown, a 6-5, 230-pound freshman from West Memphis, Ark., could move in at either end or linebacker. At defensive guard, Greg Montgomery (227) and Cedric Wright (225) have the inside track.





Memphis State DE Stanley Adams (top right) stops ball-carrier; Tiger tailback Danny Felts (left) hurdles would-be tackler.

Outside linebacker, another strong point, lines up Robert Levingston (194) and Vincent Laws (191) with Darryl Latham (190) waiting in the wings. The inside linebackers are Mike Cleimeyer (220) and Mike Evans (195). Tyrone Watson (205) graduated early from high school and made some good impressions in the spring.

Anthony Carter (182) and George Stapleton (186) will go at the corners with Marvin Chatman (175) at safety. Derrik Burroughs (174) is the top reserve.

Stan Weaver will punt and Greg Hauss will do the place-kicking.

OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE

EASTERN KENTUCKY

"Wait till next year," was the chant of Eastern Kentucky fans in the waning moments of last year's 31-29 loss to Boise State in the division I-AA national championship game. There is very good reason to heed those words this season.

Coach Roy Kidd enters his 18th year as head coach much the same way he did his 17th: with a strong, proven offense and an adequate but somewhat inexperienced defense. All Kidd managed to do with the 1980 squad was to win 10 of 13 games and play for a second straight I-AA crown. A repeat of last season, or of 1979 when the Colonels won the national title, is very possible. There are several reasons for optimism at EKU. The Colonels return eight starters from an offense that rushed for 31 TD's last season, including second-team All-America guard Kevin Greve, quarterback Chris Isaac, tailback Tony Braxton (800 yards and 10 TD's), and three of the four top pass receivers—Jerry Parrish, Steve Bird, and tight end Cris Curtis. That trio combined for 783 yards and six scores.

The defense also boasts an All-America in roverback George Floyd. Floyd earned AP and Kodak honors and was also named the OVC Defensive Player of the Year. Linebackers Alex Dominguez (150 tackles) and David Hill (145) are back after starting all of last season, while Rodney Byrd, Gus Parks, and Cliff McCullough

team with Floyd to form a veteran secondary.

Only the defensive front is a question as Mark Willoughby (6-2, 235) is the lone returnee. If that question can be resolved early in the season, look for Eastern Kentucky to be in the playoff picture once again in December.

WESTERN KENTUCKY

Forty-six lettermen return for coach Jimmy Feix, entering his 14th season as head of Hilltopper fortunes. Considering that his team a year ago won the OVC championship, finished fifth in the final I-AA poll, and sported a 9-1 overall mark, prospects look bright for an equally successful 1981.

Of the 46 returnees, 16 are players which saw time as starters at various points in the season. The defense looks to be very strong as four players return who earned postseason accolades in 1980.

Heading the list is defensive end Tim Ford (6-4, 230), who earned All-America status last year as he recorded 111 tackles while playing on a bum knee. Donnie Evans (6-4, 240) will man the other end and free safety Barry Bumm and cornerback Lamont Meacham head up the secondary. All three won all-conference honors in 1980.

Though the offense must replace five starters, including two-time All-OVC quarterback John Hall, returning veterans and experienced backups leave the offense in fairly decent shape. Ralph Antone will start the year at quarterback after seeing considerable playing time in 1980. The offensive line lost three all-star players but the replacements average around 240 pounds. Backfield duty will be handled quite ably by All-OVC fullback Troy Snardon, who rushed for 905 yards, 12 TD's, and a 5.8 per-carry average, and Elmer Caldwell, who amassed 500 yards in a backup role in 1979. It could prove to be the top combination in the league.

Last season, Western fell one game shy of making the I-AA playoffs. It is not unlikely that that final hurdle could be crossed this year.

MURRAY STATE

Murray State heads into the fall campaign much the same way it did two years ago: as a team that will be good, but one that no one is sure just how much so. For the 1979 season Murray finished 9-2-1 and in second place in the final I-AA poll.

In the past, when one thought of Murray State, the thought was of defense, and with good reason. For the past two years the Racers have finished at or near the top of I-AA in most defensive categories. Most of the stalwarts from that unit are gone, and though talented people are available to fill in, most are unproven. Three proven performers are second team All-America end Glenn Jones, a two-time All-OVC pick, linebacker Donald White (107 total tackles and assists), and cornerback Greg Evans. Both White and Evans were all-conference last season.

Offense which has, to some extent, relied on the talents of the defense the past couple of seasons should reverse that role. Quarterback Gino Gibbs accumulated 1,562 yards and passed for 10 TD's last season and will have either Nick Nance (566 yards) or Danny Lee Johnson at running back with bullish Tony Lester at fullback. Johnson rushed for 1,216 yards in 1978 and was red-shirted last year. The offensive line will be anchored again by one of college football's giants, 6-6, 375-pound "Mount" Vernon Broadnax.

A big question mark for first-year coach Frank Beamer will be the performance of the defensive line. Beamer was the defensive coordinator for the past two seasons so plugging some holes in the front may not be too difficult. That could mean trouble for the rest of the OVC.

AKRON

Last year Akron got off to a very quick start, as evidenced by its 21-10 win over 1979 I-AA national champ Eastern Kentucky in the second game of the season. But the Zips faded fast en route to a 3-7-1 record and coach Jim Dennison is working dilligently to prevent a repeat occurrence.

One of the main problems Akron encountered in 1980 was inconsistent play at quarterback. Though both players who shared the spot a year ago return, sophomore Ron Gliha is expected to be installed as signal-caller in hopes of reviving the offense. For Akron last year, offense was spelled Dennis Brumfield. Playing his first full season at tailback, Brumfield ran for an even 1,000 yards on his way to the OVC rushing crown. He is back, as are part-time fullback starters Tim Staycer and Tony Frye. Receivers Pat Snow and James White are also experienced and dangerous when healthy.

All-America linebacker Brad Reese heads up a mostly veteran defense. Reese's totals for 1980 included 106 tackles and 115 assists. Fellow linebackers Jamie Warburton, John Fedorsin, and Bob Baumbick are also back, as are tackles Joe Myers and Scott Miller. Those gentlemen form an impressive front, leaving a few questions to be answered in the secondary. Roosevelt Jewells is the lone returnee back here, though several junior-college transfers are expected to lend immediate help.

The offensive line will be a veteran unit as five players return who started at various times throughout the 1980 season. Tackle Don Schutz and guard Reece Peery are probably the two best.

A year ago, one league coach picked Akron to challenge for the OVC title. That might have been a bit much to expect in the Zips' first year of championship competition in the conference, but it may not be at all premature in 1981.

MOREHEAD STATE

If bigger means better then Morehead State will, without a doubt, be vastly improved this year. Consider this: the Eagles will have an experienced offensive line that averages 250 pounds; the number one fullback will tip the scales at over 230 pounds; the defensive line will weigh in somewhere around the 240-pound mark. Experience is available at most positions as 40 lettermen return from last year, including 20 who were starters at some point in the season.

The person with the least experience at his position will be rookie head coach Steve Loney, taking over this year after serving in the past as defensive coordinator. Loney's offensive line will feature guards Rich Zureich (6-4, 254) and Tony Cardwell (6-2, 250), tackles Mike Ealey (6-2, 254) and David Phillips (6-4, 262), who was a starter at Ohio State two years ago, and tight end Steve Pytel (6-6, 241). The quarterback will be junior Don Reeves, who threw for 1,174 yards and seven TD's a year ago. Joining him in the backfield will be fullback David Thurkill with sophomore Brian Shimer, along with veterans Dwight Yarn and Marcus Johnson at tailback.

On the defensive side, linebacker Dan Gooch (6-2, 220) had 119 tackles last year and is as good as they come. Two-year starters Bill Vogt and Carey Reid anchor an experienced secondary while the line returns five players, each of whom has seen considerable playing time in the past. End Ken Alexander and noseguard Ron Hardee are two of the returnees here.

The kicking game is sound as punter John Christopher (39.8 avg.) and kicker Lenn Duff return.



Flanker Renard McPhaul (top) shows fingertip control; his teammate Tony Baxton (middle) rushed for 10 TD's; Murray State quarterback Gino Gibbs (right)

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YOUNGSTOWN STATE

The newest OVC member received a rude awakening to the league last season, going 0-4-1 against conference foes and 2-8-1 overall, while waiting for the 1981 season to become eligible for the league championship.

Now head coach Bill Narduzzi hopes that the 31 returning lettermen, including 15 starters, gained valuable knowledge and experience from that not-so-warm welcome. The offensive line returns virtually intact to protect quarterback Mike Sloe. The sophomore split time with two others at the position in 1980 but was at the controls in both Penguin wins. The loss of YSU's all-time leading rusher Robby Robson plus the return of three experienced receivers will give the Penguins a strong passing game. Jeff Patterson, John Goode, and Les Pakalnis will form a good nucleus for Sloe to throw to.

Plenty of experience is available on defense, too, with the exception of the secondary, where three starters were lost to graduation. Linebacking strength will be very good with the presence of division II All-America Jeff Gergel and all-star candidate Joe Schartner. Co-captain Brett Modic heads the list of linemen along with tackles Larry Sabino (6-2, 240) and Tim Zetwick (6-2, 262). Monster back Dave Morvay is the only veteran in the secondary.

Running back is a question. The top returnee, Paris Wicks, carried only 28 times last year and his companion, Vic Ceglie, is only a sophomore. If consistency at quarterback and in the backfield is found, look for Youngstown to cause more than a few headaches in its first full year in the OVC.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE

There is hope in the Middle Tennessee camp. Hope that the growing pains experienced over the past two seasons with a team of mostly freshmen and sophomores has matured into a seasoned, tested unit.

The Blue Raiders managed only a 2-8 mark last season, but both wins came in the last two games of the season, lending optimism to the thought that the young players are about ready. Quarterback Brown Sanford is one of those who is expected to be a key to the MTSU improvement. Heading into his junior year, the two-year starter has compiled better than 2,300 yards in total offense. As a freshman, he led the OVC in total offense but suffered a mild slump in 1980. Behind Sanford in the backfield will be tailback Sammy Bryant, the team's top rusher a season ago, as well as the leading receiver with 28 receptions. Both players will have an experienced line to work behind.

Defensively, the MTSU secondary led by safeties James Griffin and Dennis Mix will be good. All starters return. Linebacker Robbie Ridings is the best among returnees at his position while Tim Dickerson will anchor an improving defensive line.

Head coach Boots Donnelly might just see two years of frustration pay off in some dividends in 1981 for the Blue Raiders.

AUSTIN PEAY

Austin Peay enjoyed its school-record-breaking fourth straight winning season in 1980. That enjoyment may be short-lived, however, as the Governors will be hard pressed to duplicate back-to-back 7-4 seasons.

To begin with, Peay must break in a new coach. His name is Emory Hale and he comes to Clarksville (Tenn.) as one of the premier high school coaches in the state. In the past 12 seasons at Oak Ridge High, Hale compiled a record of 114-21, winning three of the last five state championships. His credentials are, to say the least, impressive. Credentials do not win games, though.

The Governors must find replacements for quarterback Sonny Defilippis, the OVC Offensive Player of the Year who amassed 2,200 yards in total offense in 1980, running backs Cosmo Cochran and Donald Brown (812 combined yards), wide receiver and All-America Steve Puthoff (43 catches, 912 yards), and defensive linemen Brett Williams and Richard Wozniak, both former All-America picks.

The offensive line will have the most experience, led by all-conference guard Charles Tucker (6-5, 230), and seniors Carl Kurzrock, Mike Hudson, and Jeff McMillan. Pat Clements, a former 1,000-yard rusher at Jacksonville State, must regain his top form following knee surgery for the offense to be effective.

Sophomore Royce Fentress is the best among returning linebackers, and the secondary must replace two starters, with Michael Shelton the top returnee.

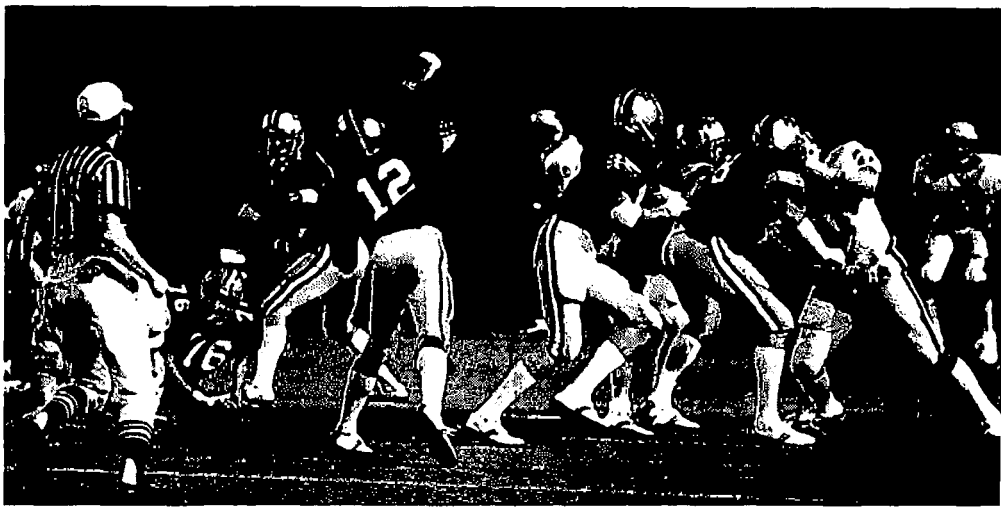
TENNESSEE TECH

Young. In a word, that is the best way to describe the makeup of the Tennessee Tech football team this season.

Take, for example, the offense. At least five positions will be manned by players in only their second year of competition, including the quarterback, a running back, and three linemen. Tony Costantine will be the quarterback for coach Don Wade, entering his 14th season at the helm. A reserve most of his freshman season, Costantine came on late in the season after an injury knocked out the number one man. He threw for 620 yards in four games. The Eagles' leading rusher last year was Marvin McClennon, another freshman. McClennon did manage 623 yards and a 5.1 yards-per-carry average, however. The other running back, or fullback, will be junior Reggie Bazel. The line will have only center Mike Chmela and guard Joe Caldwell with more than one year of experience. Tight end Brad Millice and Paul Selesky are the receivers.

Except for a veteran secondary the remainder of the defense is a big question for Wade to answer. Seniors Tony Chatman and Tony Panebianco are the best in the backfield, with junior Kent Pettyjohn a solid linebacker. The remaining members of the defensive unit are largely inexperienced or untested. A bright spot here is that the Eagles should have more overall size on defense, which has been a problem in the past.

A big loss is that of All-American kicker Wayne Anderson. Ray Millican will start out as the replacement, but he lacks distance. It seems to add up to a possible long season at Tennessee Tech.



Quarterback Brown Sanford keys the Middle Tennessee attack for a third year.

GULF SOUTH CONFERENCE

NORTH ALABAMA

After a championship season, there can be a tendency to let down. Coach Wayne Grubb is not one of the proponents of that theory. "These young men have not won long enough to become complacent."

Those young men led UNA to a No. 3 ranking in division II and a first-ever GSC crown. Losing only 12 seniors gives Grubb plenty of cause for optimism. Whether or not the Lions remain at the top lies in his ability to find replacements at key positions. Graduation nearly decimated the defensive line. Transfer John Johnson, red-shirts Dean Sanders and Dwayne Holloway, and veterans Ben Pointer and Robert Moore lead the parade for a starting nod. Transfers Vincent Rivers and Reger Curry, red-shirt Hal Mills, and injured starter Steve Harris offer competition to returnees Emmanuel Young (seven interceptions) and Ollie McGee in the secondary. Transfer John Harris joins lettermen Sam Prater, Bo Bo Lowe, Frank Condon, and Ron Harris at LB. Veteran ends Ronnie Lewey and Lonzie McCants hold the defense together.

Offensively, the Lions return Mike Thorn, Hamp Moore, Don Smith, Herbie Jones, and Jeff Patterson from the line that led the GSC in rushing. At QB is Fred Riley. He threw the shot heard round the conference last year, an 83-yard TD to Jerry Hill against Jax State that gave UNA the GSC title. Transfers Bobby Duncan and Mark James offer backup support. At end are returning starters Dwayne Williams and Melvin Brown with Mike Hearon and Germaine Young in reserve. In the backfield, only All-GSC Lawson Fletcher is assured of a job. Reserves are Clarence Johnson and red-shirts

Stanley Gill and Thomas Calhoun. At FB, Mike Greathouse battles Milt Taylor and James Gill.

JACKSONVILLE STATE

The Gamecocks have played in the NCAA division-II playoffs three of the past four years and count on the return of 18 starters to lead them to another berth in 1981. Heading the cast is junior QB Ed Lett, who broke several school and conference marks (187 of 358 passes for 2,102 yards and 18 TD's). Three of his favorite targets return: Anthony Bush (29 catches for



Troy State WR Kelvin Murdock nabs 41-yard touchdown vs. Texas A&I.

378 yards and 2 TD's), Eugene Roberts (22 for 262 and 2), and TE Rusty Fuller (26 receptions).

Coach Jim Fuller has four of his five OL starters back: Chris Ray (G), Roger Loveridge and Jon Barefield (T), and Wayne Pickett (C), who will be moved to guard. Jeff Miller was the top center in spring drills. A problem for the offense last year was a lack of speed in the backfield. FB Harris Montgomery provides excellent blocking and leadership, but the team needs a breakaway threat. Youngsters Walter Broughton and Darryl Farley could be the answer.

Defensively, Jax State returns Frankie O'Dell and Ted Watson (T), Pete Hatcher and Mark Hampton (E), Alvin Wright (NG), LB's Simon Shephard (AP All-America last year) and Randy Lagod, and Kenny Stokes, Ralph Battle, and Terry Stephens (DB's).

The Gamecocks held opponents scoreless through 17 straight quarters in one stretch last season, the key to their 8-3 record.

LIVINGSTON

Coach Frank North and his staff eagerly await the arrival of the new season. They'll welcome back 40 lettermen, including a pair of senior All-GSC performers, Fred Stickney (DB) and Horace Bradley (LB). The Tiger defense has bite up front and at linebacker. The secondary is a question. Improvement on last year's 5-5 would give LU its first winner in five years.

Junior Mitchell Price moves from tackle to noseguard. His mates are tackles Ken Oglesby and Charles "Too Mean" Martin and ends Daryl Shepherd and Chuck Neal. Seniors Tim Mansour and Dennis Miles round out the LB's.

Offensively, the line shapes up this way: massive Hubert Hurst and Ronnie Ashley (a guard last year) at tackle, Wes Dixon and Rusty Fendor at guard, and Dennis Walker at center. Vying for time are Pat Meriwether, Tony Anderson, and juco transfer Walt Walton. Willie Arnold and Tim Hassard alternate at TE, as they did in 1980. Randall Mallard, who sat out last season following knee surgery, is one WR. Converted TE Joe Hollis, juco transfer Mike Benn, and Curtis Ewings will battle for the other. Four three-year letter-winners return to the backfield: Tony Rogers, Tony Trimble, Johnny Penn, and Eric Smith. Speedster Johnny Shepherd joins them this year. Three-year starter Jerry Thomas and junior Mickey Bentley provide the needed depth at QB to run the veer. The kicking game features soph Tom Kay, who won three games in 1980. He handles the punting and place-kicking.

TROY STATE

Six starters from one of the top division-II defensive units in 1980 have been lost to graduation. Three (DE Kenny Craik, S Harris Spencer, and DB Sherman Wilkinson) were All-GSC.

Offensively, the Trojans lost All-America QB Willie Tullis, who averaged over 233 of Troy State's 375 yards per game. Candidates to fill his shoes are soph J.R. McKinnon, red-shirt freshmen Doug Brown and Mark Sanders, and U. of Florida transfer Jody Myers. Second-team All-GSC center Tim Bryan (5-11, 220) returns, as do senior guards Rod Anderson (6-1, 225) and Keith Johnson (6-1, 228), soph guard Gary McGilvary (6-0, 215), and senior Paul Morrison (6-2, 245) and junior James Jones (6-0, 250) at tackle. Senior FB John Anthony, Troy's leading rusher (427 yards), and TB's Anthony Fowlkes and Robert Pennington are back. Sophs Troy Brown and Fred Mixon show promise. Speedster Kelvin Murdock, Troy's leading receiver the last two years, could be the premier end in the GSC in 1981. Also on hand are Breck Upshaw and TE's Kennt Burk and Rick Hinrichs.

Defensively, an overhaul of the line has been ordered by coach Charlie Bradshaw. Junior tackle Jim Hall (6-4, 231) has been moved to NG, where his quickness is badly needed. The rest of the revamped line will comprise Jeff Agne (6-3, 245), Tony Dodd (6-2, 195), Gary Bradshaw (6-3, 215), and red-shirt frosh Linzall Chapman (6-3, 180). The linebacking corps features All-GSC senior Steve Stringfellow (6-0, 200), the leading-tackler the last two years. Alan Biddle (5-11, 210) returns. The secondary is in for close scrutiny. Safety Donnie Arnold was a walk-on who broke into the lineup in 1980. He returns with Mike Anderson, Donald Abney, and Bobby Fuller.

TENNESSEE-MARTIN

Coach Lynn Amedee returns all 11 defensive starters and 9 offensive regulars from last season's 4-7 Pacer squad and figures UTM to be a contender in the 1981 conference race.

Bolstering the defense are two All-GSC members: end Matt Klaren (6-2, 206 junior) and tackle Terry Meardith (6-2, 220 junior). Also on hand are senior tackles George Heines (6-2, 240) and John Griggs (6-1, 235) and soph Jeff Tharpe (6-1, 220). Vying for playing time are soph Rick Delgado (5-10, 190) and junior Jerome Johnson (5-10, 198). The linebacking corps contains seniors Barry Joyce (6-2, 214) and Roland McElrath (5-10, 185), junior Tim Yarbo (6-1, 220), and soph Alan Welch (5-11, 195). Juniors Billy Wilkins (5-11, 184), Tommy Dillon (6-3, 185), Jerry Gamble (5-9, 170), and Dennis Adkins (6-0, 180), senior Russ Greer (5-10, 179), and soph Chris Cain (6-1, 180) man the secondary.

The Pacers feature two All-GSC players on offense: flanker Dwayne McKinney, a 5-11, 178-pound junior who led the conference with 37 catches for 829 yards and 8 TD's in addition to 4 TD's and 67 yards rushing; and tight end Kenny Williams, a 6-3, 216-pound senior who had 3 TD's after finishing with basketball. Both senior QB's return: Tommy Overton (6-0, 176) and Chris Ford (6-1, 198) return. Running backs Mike Ray and Don "Tooter" Carroll are also available.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Coach John M. William's Choctaws advanced all the way to the NCAA division-II semifinals in 1979. Last year they finished 4-5 (2-4 in GSC). This year the material is there, the schedule is favorable, and the recruiting is the best ever.

Thirty-four lettermen return, including the offensive backfield: QB Wade Pharis (821 yards and 4 TD's) and RB Major Everett (864 yards and 8 TD's) the most prominent members. The offensive line features Al Pickick (C), a two-year letterman who missed the 1980 campaign with a knee injury. The wide receivers are transfer Steve Jordan (six receptions for 109 yards in the spring game) and Michael Kincaid.

Defensively, the Tribe was riddled by graduation, losing three members of the secondary, two linebackers, and three linemen. "We'll be adequate on defense, but we lack depth," admitted Williams.

The kicking game is in excellent shape. Jim Turcotte (placements) and Larry Osbrink (punting) return. The Choctaws will play ten games this season, with four of the six GSC contests on home turf.

DELTA STATE

Replacing nine defensive starters, including the entire secondary, presents the biggest problem for coach Johnny Plummer (108-53-1 career record), now entering his third year at the helm of the Statesmen.

DSU (3-8) slipped to the cellar in the conference, finishing last in rushing defense and passing offense, but first in passing defense and fifth in rushing offense. Plummer hopes to blend juco talent and red-shirts with 39 returning lettermen in hopes of obtaining a more consistent effort in 1981. Offensively, the line is solid. Second-team All-GSC tackle Donald Thurman returns as do tight end Charles Barnes, center Steve Brown, and guard Mark Rather. Also available are experienced QB's Steve Lyles and Mark Killens, RB's Wilbur Myers, Robert Orange, and Kenneth McKinney, and WR's Jerry Turner (a two-time academic All-America), K.T. Chase, and Des Ball.

The Statesmen are not as experienced on defense. Tackles Jim Rhodes and Glenn Davis constitute returning starters while Eric Guthrie, Ronnie Oglesby, Buddy Collins, and Bobby Field provide a base up front. Alabama transfer Rickey Rozzell teams with Dickie Peralto and Todd Burnham at linebacker. Returning letterwinners in the secondary are Keith Mitchell, Dick May, and Wayne Henry.

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GEORGE ROGERS

University of South Carolina tailback George Rogers was voted the winner of the 1980 Heisman Trophy, the award which annually honors the premier college football player. The 46th recipient of the Trophy, Rogers became the ninth running back in as many years and the first Deep South runner since LSU's Billy Cannon in 1959 to be so celebrated.

Rogers paced the nation in rushing last year, carrying the ball 297 times for 1,781 yards—his third consecutive 1,000-yard season—and 14 touchdowns. Included among that total were 141 yards in a 23-13 loss at Southern Cal, 142 yards in a 17-14 win at Rose Bowl champion Michigan, and 168 yards in a 13-10 setback to national champ Georgia. That kind of effort gave the Gamecocks an 8-3 regular-season record and a berth in the Gator Bowl opposite Pittsburgh. There, the Panthers, led by Heisman Trophy runner-up Hugh Green, prevailed, 37-9, in spite of Rogers's 113 yards on the ground.

Rogers, 6-2 and 220 pounds, finished his college career with 4,958 yards, good for fourth place—behind former Heisman Trophy winners Tony Dorsett (Pittsburgh), Charles White (Southern Cal), and Archie Griffin (Ohio State)—on the NCAA's all-time rushing list.

He'll take his act to New Orleans, having been the first player selected in the 1981 National Football League draft.

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1. *George Rogers, So. Carolina (216)* 1,128
2. *Hugh Green, Pittsburgh (179)* 861
3. *Herschel Walker, Georgia (107)* 683
4. *Mark Herrmann, Purdue (58)* 405
5. *Jim McMahon, Brigham Young (30)* 189
6. *Art Schlichter, Ohio State (18)* 158
7. *Neil Lomax, Portland State (10)* 69
8. *Jarvis Redwine, Nebraska (4)* 64
9. *Ken Easley, UCLA (5)* 44
10. *Anthony Carter, Michigan (4)* 34
11. *Mike Singletary, Baylor (5)* 34
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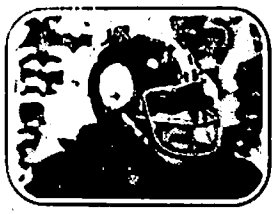
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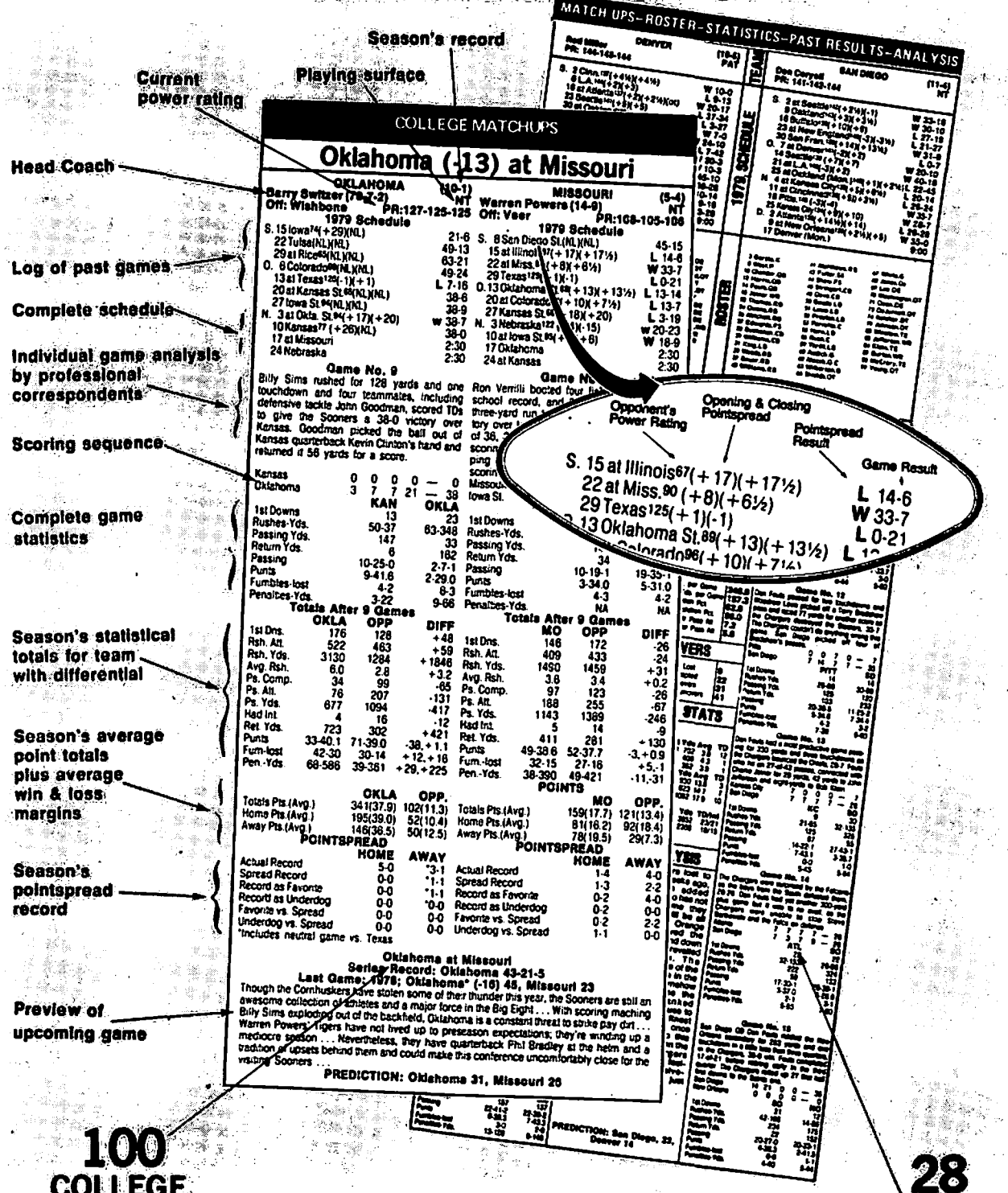
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atlantic coast by SMITH BARRIER

By the time the Tar Heels of North Carolina got to Houston for the Bluebonnet Bowl, they had a few things to prove. Maybe to themselves, but certainly to their fans and others, they felt—to a man.

They had travelled through the fall with a single defeat, taking an ill-fated trip to Boomer Soonerland and catching Oklahoma on a day they had sooner "stood" in bed. North Carolina got blasted out of the undefeated and ranked lists, the latter for the time being.

The Tar Heels got another shot at the rankings, playing a fine Texas team in the Bluebonnet Bowl.

"There was a lot of pressure on us," reflected center Rick Donnalley. "We wanted to put on a show as we did in the Gator Bowl (over Michigan, year before). We saw how much a win like that meant to the program at Chapel Hill. We think this win will put us in the top 10. That's where this program should be."

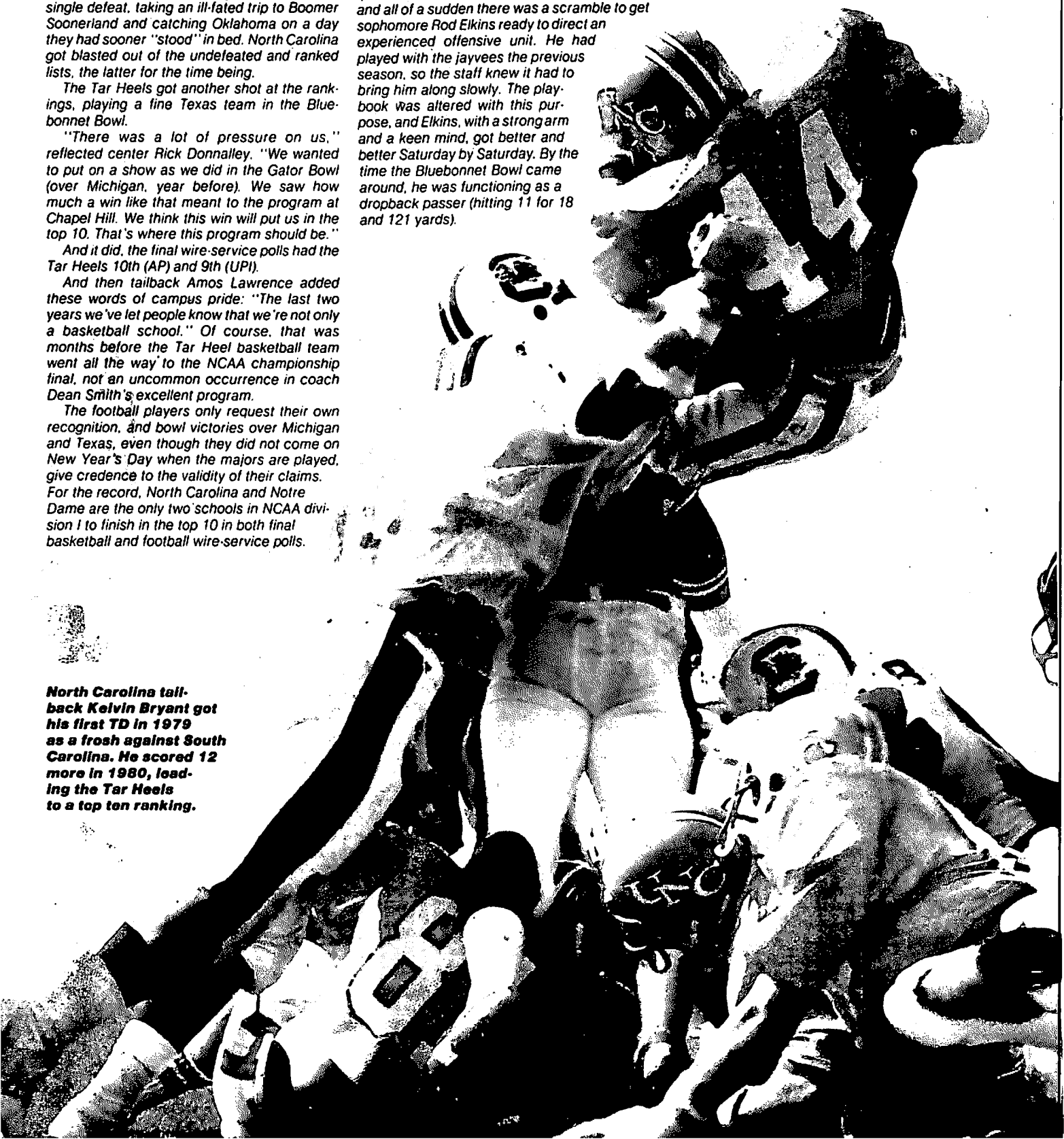
And it did, the final wire-service polls had the Tar Heels 10th (AP) and 9th (UPI).

And then tailback Amos Lawrence added these words of campus pride: "The last two years we've let people know that we're not only a basketball school." Of course, that was months before the Tar Heel basketball team went all the way to the NCAA championship final, not an uncommon occurrence in coach Dean Smith's excellent program.

The football players only request their own recognition, and bowl victories over Michigan and Texas, even though they did not come on New Year's Day when the majors are played, give credence to the validity of their claims. For the record, North Carolina and Notre Dame are the only two schools in NCAA division I to finish in the top 10 in both final basketball and football wire-service polls.

To take the 1980 Atlantic Coast Conference championship, and thus national ranking throughout the season, coach Dick Crum's Tar Heels started off with a setback. In the early weeks of September drills they lost the starting quarterback, Chuck Sharpe, with a leg injury, and all of a sudden there was a scramble to get sophomore Rod Elkins ready to direct an experienced offensive unit. He had played with the jayvees the previous season, so the staff knew it had to bring him along slowly. The playbook was altered with this purpose, and Elkins, with a strong arm and a keen mind, got better and better Saturday by Saturday. By the time the Bluebonnet Bowl came around, he was functioning as a dropback passer (hitting 11 for 18 and 121 yards).

The Tar Heels also operated with a tailback combination that rambled for over 2,000 yards, senior Amos Lawrence and sophomore Kelvin Bryant each passing the thousand yard mark. And the defense forgot Norman, Oklahoma, and also improved, and linebacker Lawrence



North Carolina tailback Kelvin Bryant got his first TD in 1979 as a frosh against South Carolina. He scored 12 more in 1980, leading the Tar Heels to a top ten ranking.

PREDICTIONS

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE
1. North Carolina, 2. Clemson, 3. N.C. State,
4. Maryland, 5. Virginia,
6. Duke, 7. Wake Forest, *Georgia Tech
*not eligible for championship

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE
1. Furman, 2. UT-Chattanooga,
3. The Citadel, 4. Western Carolina,
5. Appalachian, 6. Virginia Military,
7. East Tennessee, 8. Marshall

INDEPENDENTS
1. Virginia Tech, 2. South Carolina,
3. Richmond, 4. East Carolina, 5. William & Mary, 6. James Madison, 7. Guilford

MID-EASTERN ATHLETIC
1. North Carolina A&T, 2. Bethune-Cookman, 3. South Carolina State,
4. Florida A&M, 5. Howard,
6. Delaware State

SOUTH ATLANTIC
1. Elon, 2. Mars Hill, 3. Carson-Newman,
4. Gardner-Webb, 5. Presbyterian,
6. Newberry, 7. Lenoir Rhyne, 8. Catawba

SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC
1. Grambling, 2. Jackson State,
3. Mississippi Valley, 4. Alcorn State,
5. Southern, 6. Texas Southern,
7. Prairie View

CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE
Northern
1. Norfolk State, 2. Virginia Union,
3. Hampton, 4. Elizabeth City,
5. Virginia State, 6. St. Paul's

Southern
1. N.C. Central 2. Winston-Salem State,
3. Johnson C. Smith, 4. Fayetteville State,
5. Livingstone, 6. Bowie State

Taylor became the ACC player of the year and the 1981 NFL draft's No. 2 selection.

All of this leads to the coming campaign, and the Tar Heels are standing right there at the head of the charge to repeat all the things of 1980. They don't have a trip to Boomer Soonerland either, so that's a plus.

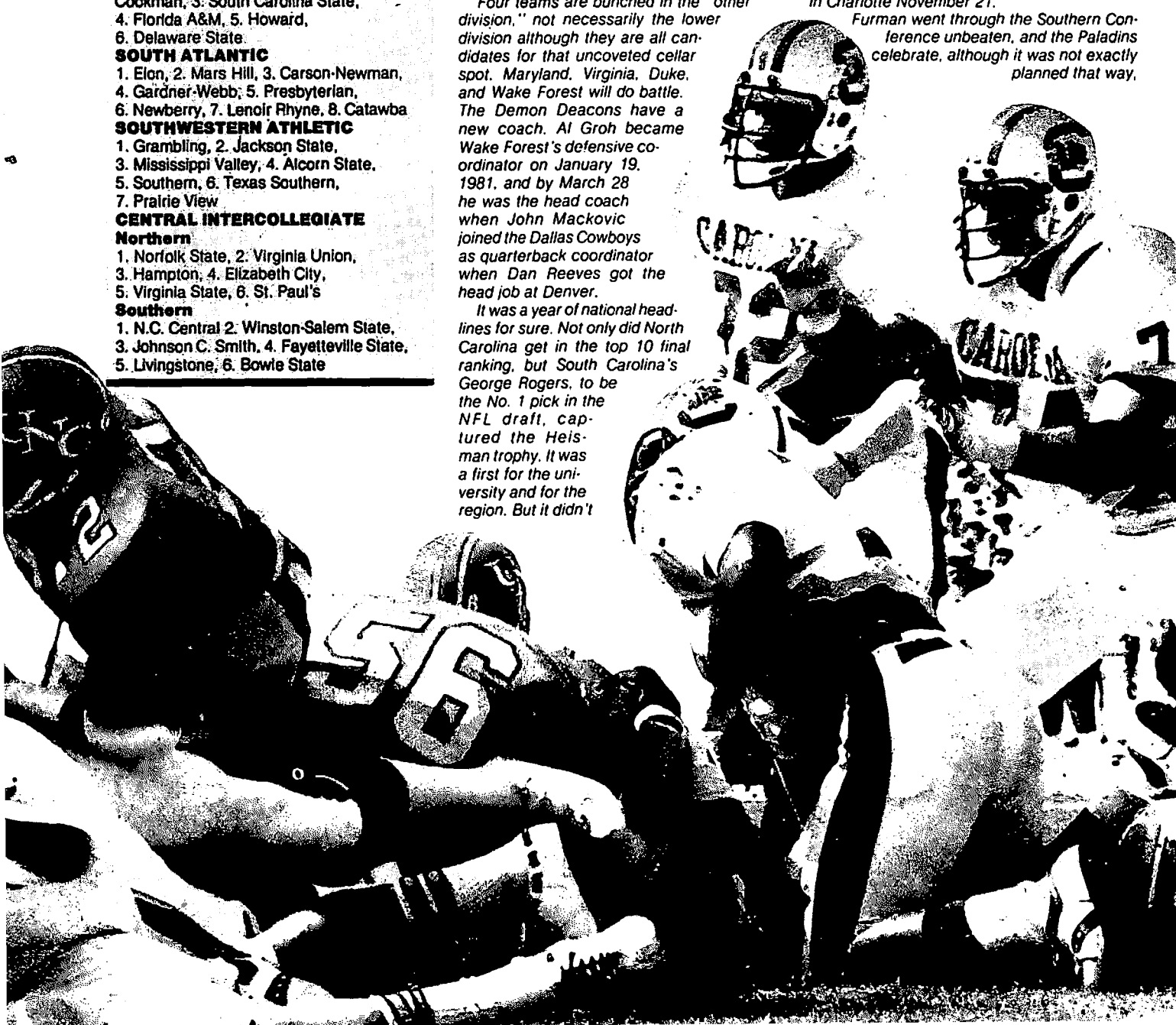
But there are always challenges for supremacy in the Atlantic Coast, at least since the days when Maryland racked up victories in succession. North Carolina will get its biggest challenge from Clemson, where youthful coach Danny Ford has experience and talent. If there is to be a dark horse, it will be the Wolfpack of North Carolina State where Monte Kiffin has his second club. He's going to the I-formation to get more from his offense, and the flamboyant coach will probably still ride to pep rallies via helicopter or white horse.

Four teams are bunched in the "other division," not necessarily the lower division although they are all candidates for that uncoveted cellar spot. Maryland, Virginia, Duke, and Wake Forest will do battle. The Demon Deacons have a new coach. Al Groh became Wake Forest's defensive coordinator on January 19, 1981, and by March 28 he was the head coach when John Mackovic joined the Dallas Cowboys as quarterback coordinator when Dan Reeves got the head job at Denver.

It was a year of national headlines for sure. Not only did North Carolina get in the top 10 final ranking, but South Carolina's George Rogers, to be the No. 1 pick in the NFL draft, captured the Heisman trophy. It was a first for the university and for the region. But it didn't stop there. Elon, where coach Jerry Tolley has a 34-10-1 four-year record, lost its first conference game of the season to Mars Hill, then fought its way through 14 games and the NAIA national championship. It appropriately earned Tolley the NAIA coach of the year honors.

In the final Sheridan Network national poll for black colleges Grambling (SWAC) and South Carolina State (MEAC) were ranked first and second, respectively. Eddie Robinson's Grambling Tigers are predicted for another SWAC title, which they shared with Jackson State in 1980. North Carolina A&T gets the Mid-Eastern Athletic call for coach Jim McKinley, and conference commissioner Ken Free looks forward to an enlarged NCAA division I-AA playoff. The Gold Bowl with the CIAA is off, since the latter, announced commissioner Bob Moorman, will have division play this season and a title game in Charlotte November 21.

Furman went through the Southern Conference unbeaten, and the Paladins celebrate, although it was not exactly planned that way.



with a new on-campus stadium this season. They are strong, so much that when the returning starters are listed in preseason prospectuses, they list "four" returning specialists—punter John Johnson, place-kicker Tim Tanguay, snapper Steve Garrison, and holder Jeff Johnson.

Virginia Tech's Bill Dooley may have the region's top independent team, just a notch ahead of South Carolina. The two will vie with Florida State and Miami as the Southeast's best independents.

There is no George Rogers, and South Carolina fans realize there may never be another. That's why they named streets and highways after him. But there is North Carolina in the ACC, Elon in the NAIA, and Grambling in the Sheridan poll. They may be on their way to becoming fixtures.

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

NORTH CAROLINA

(6-0-0, 11-1-0) Coaches always talk about defense, especially if they're thinking of a championship. Coach Dick Crum is certainly justified in thinking of another in 1982. A veteran defense, which included three all-conference players, including consensus All-America Lawrence Taylor, enabled the Tar Heels to survive the early season a year ago when starting quarterback Chuck Sharpe was lost in September drills. This season it will be up to the offense to carry the load, while the defense, with only five starters returning, fends for itself. An opening schedule of East Carolina, Miami of Ohio, Boston College, and Georgia Tech may allow that to take place—and North Carolina to return to the conference championship.

.Despite the mismatch in Oklahoma, the Tar Heels rated 8th nationally in scoring defense and 11th in total defense. But the front five, big and talented, was just about wiped out, and the senior secondary also moved out one of the nation's top punters. Only outside linebacker Calvin Daniels (6-3, 234) returns from the front five, meaning that junior Mike Wilcher takes the other outside spot, with juniors Jack Parry (6-1, 241) and Joe Conwell (6-5, 238) at tackles, and either Steve Fortson or William Fuller, sophomores, at noseguard. Veteran Greg Poole and Bill Jackson direct the secondary, sophs Darryll Lucas and Walter Black moving up from reserve roles. Former QB Chuck Sharpe, missing 1980, will get a secondary call. Thus, the Tar Heel defensive strength falls at linebacker, the inside hit men: Darrell Nicholson (6-2, 236) and Lee Shaffer (6-1, 213), both seniors of all-star potential. Jeff Hayes, an outstanding place-kicker, will take over the punting.

But when it comes to the offense, Tar Heel voices rise in rejoicing, realizing that there is an excellent shot at an even better mark than last year's ACC-leading 25.5 points per game. The backfield does not have Amos Lawrence and fullback Billy Johnson, but it has more and more. Kelvin Bryant, a 9.2 sprinter, ran for 1,039 yards last fall (along with Lawrence in the 1,000-yard group) and made All-ACC. Tailback backup will be Tyrone Anthony, a 6-1, 199-pound soph. Alan Burrus, out with a leg injury, returns at fullback, and Victor Harrison is again the flanker and Jon Richardson the split end. It is quarterback Rod Elkins (6-1, 204) who makes things go. He took over unexpectedly last September and ended up co-leader of ACC passing. A natural leader with a passing arm potential that hasn't been touched.

But it also takes blocking to move the ball. David Drechsler (6-4, 242) and Mike Marr (6-4, 245) return at tackles, Ron Spruill (6-2, 240) at guard, Shelton Robinson (6-1, 233) at tight end (for the third straight starting year). Reserves Steve McGrew, guard, and Brian Johnston, center, move up. Marr's knee surgery during spring drills does leave a question mark, which could be answered by Brian Blados (6-6, 289). A fairly good-sized answer.



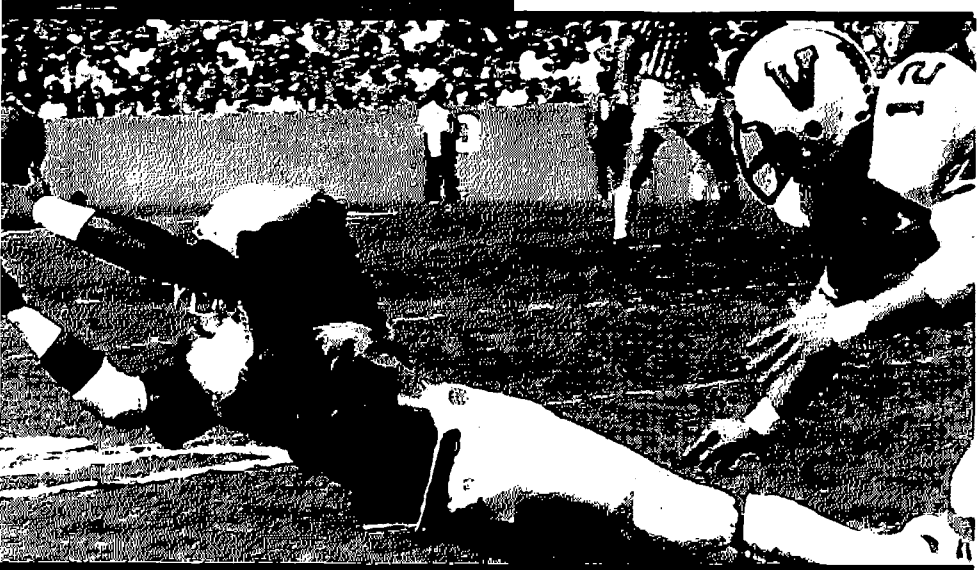
North Carolina is led by LB Darrell Nicholson (left), OG David Drechsler (far left), and QB Rod Elkins (below).



1981 ALL-ATLANTIC COAST TEAM

OFFENSE			
Quarterback	Ben Bennett	SOPH	Duke
Running Back	Kelvin Bryant	JR	North Carolina
Running Back	Charlie Wysocki	SR	Maryland
Wingback	Trumaine Johnson	JR	Grambling
Wide Receiver	Perry Tuttle	SR	Clemson
Tight End	Eddie McGill	SR	Western Carolina
Tackle	Chris Koehne	SR	North Carolina State
Tackle	Lee Nanney	SR	Clemson
Guard	Charlie Anderson	SR	Furman
Guard	Mike West	SR	North Carolina A&T
Center	Mark Austin	JR	South Carolina
Place-kicker	Jeff Hayes	SR	North Carolina
DEFENSE			
Line	Andy Provence	JR	South Carolina
Line	Mark Seale	JR	Richmond
Line	Robert Brown	SR	Virginia Tech
Line	Thomas Straughters	JR	Jackson State
Line	Stuart Anderson	SR	Virginia
Linebacker	Darrell Nicholson	SR	North Carolina
Linebacker	Robert Abraham	SR	North Carolina State
Linebacker	Jeff Davis	SR	Clemson
Back	Dennis Tabron	SR	Duke
Back	Mike Hunt	SR	UT-Chattanooga
Back	Chris Carter	JR	The Citadel
Punter	John Johnson	JR	Furman







Linebacker Jeff Davis (top), wide receiver Perry Tuttle (above), and running back Chuck McSwain (left) hope to lead Clemson to ACC title.

CLEMSON

(2-4-0, 6-5-0)) Coach Danny Ford, coming to his third season (8-4 as rookie coach, then 6-5), has that eternal optimism that coaches live on, and certainly with excellent reason for 1981. "We have a sound nucleus back, especially on offense." Of 53 lettermen, 11 of them were offensive starters in a season that came so close to being a good one. Homer Jordan (6-0, 174), was a defensive-secondary candidate when 1980 drills began. Moved to quarterback, he broke Steve Fuller's sophomore records (1,311 passing yards, 372 rushing).

This offense had national champion Georgia in the second game, only to lose, 20-16, and it outdid nationally ranked South Carolina with 27 points in the finale. Jordan is able to direct a familiar attack, because all 11 starters return. Balanced rushing had five players with 200-plus yards, headed by tailback Chuck McSwain, 1979 ACC rookie of year (4.8 yard avg.), and junior Jeff McCall at fullback (317 yards). Jordan's favorite target will again be Perry Tuttle (6-0, 172), ACC's leading receiver (53 catches, 915 yards). But Jordan had only four TD throws, all to Tuttle. That must improve. Wide receiver Jerry Gaillard caught 25.

Senior Lee Nanney (6-4, 246) starts at tackle for the third year, and so does Gary Brown (6-3, 257). Guards again are Brian Clark and Brad Fisher; the center is Tony Berryhill. The only new offensive face, or foot, will belong to Bob Paulling, who sat out 1980 watching Obed Ariri boot records.

The defensive front has five players returning who started off and on a year ago. They include the ends, senior Bill Smith and junior Joe Glenn, as well as senior tackle Jeff Bryant (6-5, 259). That moves up Dan Benish (6-6, 250) at tackle and James Robinson (6-5, 275) at middle guard. Senior Jeff Davis (6-0, 223) rates with the nation's best linebackers, and Danny Triplett (6-4, 224) saw a lot of action.

The secondary might well be the deepest part of the Clemson team, or any college club for that matter, because it has no fewer than ten lettermen returning. Hollis Hall and Terry Kinard are repeat starters, with Anthony Rose. Andy Headen, who was the starting quarterback going into last fall until he was moved to strong safety, has been moved again—to defensive end, where the 6-5 junior's quickness could be utilized to the fullest. Rich Hendley is again the punter, seeking a couple of yards improvement, as is the entire defensive unit. It could be the difference in the title run.

N.C. STATE

(3-3-0, 6-5-0) Monte Kiffin, as noted, does a lot of crazy, way-out things, but coaching football is not one of them. That's where he gets serious, and with 45 lettermen on hand for his second Wolfpack season, the effervescent coach says, "We can contend for the conference title, but the key will be developing quality depth all around. Starters don't determine your season. Backup people do."

The Wolfpack returns its offensive line and quarterback, Tol Avery, who became No. 4 in total offense in the ACC in his first season. On defense, nine starters remain, plus two secondary stars from the 1979 conference championship team. Lone Ranger white horse or not, it's enough to make the Wolfpack the ACC dark horse for 1981.

The offensive line could well overpower the opposition. It returns tackles Chris Koehne (6-6, 268) and Todd Eckerson (6-4, 261) and guards Doug Howard (6-6, 254) and Earnest Butler (6-2, 245). Junior Jeff Nyce (6-2, 214) moves at center. Topping a good receiving corps will again be Mike Quick (6-2, 186), a great leaper with good hands (43 catches, 632 yards).

When Kiffin took the job, he inserted Tol Avery (6-0, 187) at QB immediately, and the junior from Four Oaks, N.C., had a fine year (142 carries, 8 rushing TD's, 1,114 passing yards, 6 aerial TD's). But graduation wiped out the remainder of the backfield, and coach Kiffin has switched from the twin veer to the I-formation. His running backs are senior Dwight Sullivan, juniors Andre Marks and Chris Brown, and sophs Larmount Lawson and Roger Carmack. Kiffin eyes fall drills: "We must have someone emerge and take charge at running back if we are to have a chance at success." The same applies to place-kicker Todd Auten's replacement for leading scorer Nathan Ritter.

One of the major challenges will be to start the game with the opening kickoff. The opposition outscored the Pack 71-42 in the first quarter last season. Newcomers will be Greg Mathews or Todd Blackwell at the tackle, along with starter Dennis Owens (6-1, 239) and Dann Lute at linebacker with veteran Robert Abraham, who led the squad in tackles. That supplements ends Ricky Etheridge (6-2, 218) and David Shelton (6-1, 226) and guard Al DellaPorter (6-0, 229). Depth, as well as talent and experience, abounds in the secondary. Not only does the 1980 quartet return (Dee Dee Hoggard, Perry Williams, Hillery Honeycutt, and Louis Meadows), but two of the 1979 stars, off that ACC title team, are recovered from injuries: Donnie LeGrande and Eric Williams. It is a balanced, experienced team. The switch to the I may solidify the running-back situation. Kiffin could be the Lone Ranger.

MARYLAND

(5-1-0, 8-4-0) For nine seasons now, Maryland football has lived on the Jerry Claiborne program. Stars can graduate, but there is always somebody to step in. People can get hurt, and



North Carolina St. DB Donnie LeGrande

the program has a new guy ready. It saved things during 1979 when it seemed everybody got hurt at one time or another; it got the Terrapins out of a hole just a season back.

But 1981 seems to be more than any other Claiborne football season at College Park. Yes, the program has tradition: in nine seasons Claiborne's Terrapins are 42-9-1 in conference games. In Byrd Stadium, which the Terps call home, the record is 20-3. That will certainly come in handy this season, although Maryland has only three home league games (North Carolina, Duke, Virginia). Only 29 "live" lettermen are the squad, three others having earned the block "M" in previous years.

The offense will be a tester. First, there's no Dale Castro to kick points. Then, there's no quarterback with more than part-time experience. Senior Bob Milkovich (6-3, 212) and junior Brent Dewitz (6-0, 181) threw a combined total of 63 passes last season, since Mike Tice was the resident QB. Only the third leading receiver, wingback Mike Lewis, who will share that spot with Spencer Scriber, is back. Lewis caught ten passes, but he did get two TD's.

Nobody in the backfield carried the ball too much except senior tailback Charlie Wysocki (5-11, 204, and all guts). He bulled it into the line 334 times, netting 1,359 yards and 11 touchdowns. Replacement Wayne Wingfield got 56 carries, starting fullback-to-be John Nash three. Line starters will again be guards David Pacella (6-3, 246) and Brian Reindeau (6-2, 246) and senior tackle Bob Gioia (6-3, 256.) Reserves moving up include center Todd Wright, who lettered on defense in 1979, and tight end John Tice.

Actually, filling up the defensive gaps might prove a tougher job for the program. There are only 14 lettermen working on Claiborne's long-time favorite "wide-tackle six" formation, and maybe individual stars aren't needed in this but experience surely is. Two up-front starters return: ends Joe Aulisi (5-10, 195) and Mark Wilson (6-1, 194), neither of normal Terrapin size. Wilson did some unusual things last season: tackle for safety in end zone for winning 10-9 points over Wake Forest, scoring TD by intercepting pass in end zone against N.C. State. Guard Greg Vanderhout (6-0, 242) returns for another season.

Two starting linebackers, Joe Wilkins (team-leading tackler with 131) and Mike Muller, return, whereas Darnell Dailey comes back after injury. But there is not a letterman among the secondary. It all adds up to the biggest challenge in years, maybe ever, for the established Claiborne program which always, it seems, answers the bell.

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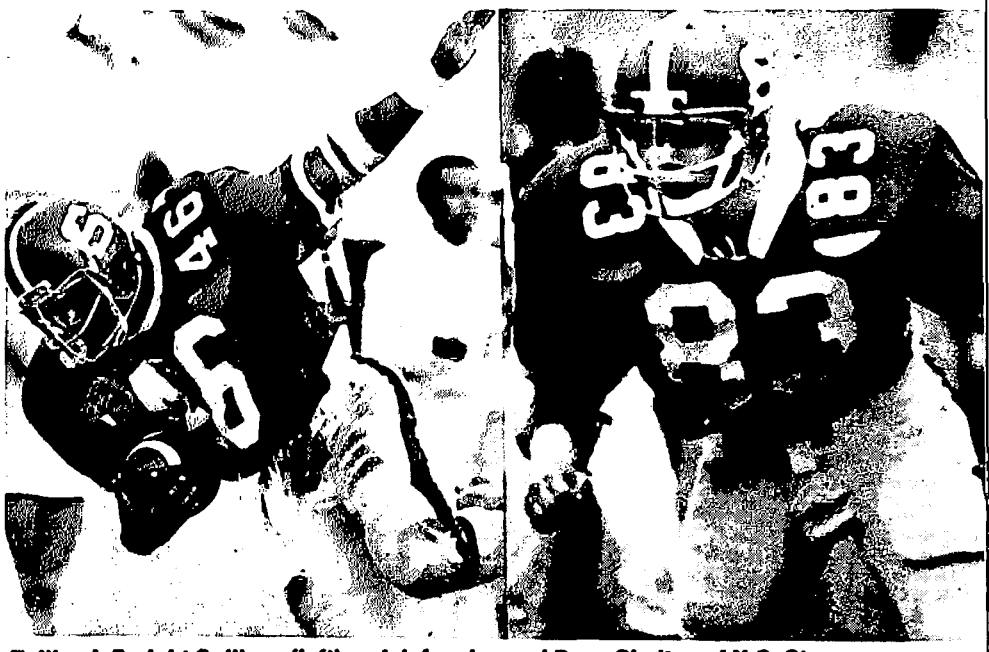
(2-4-0, 4-7-0) Virginia football is so used to "things that could have been" that the Cavaliers simply don't talk about the ifs and ands any more. When coach Dick Bestwick tries to compare yesterday with today, he puts it this way: "We think we should be an improved football team, particularly if our offense can rebound from a sub-par performance of a year ago. In spite of our record (4-7), we were a better football team than we were in 1979 (6-5). We were playing a much tougher schedule and our kicking game hurt us. Two punts cost us a winning season."



Monte Kiffin, coach of the Wolfpack

Howard Lewis. Two-year starter Bryan Holoman is at linebacker. Returning among the down men are tackle Mike Budd and end Keith Lee, with Jim Hyson stepping to the tackle position currently vacated by Anderson. But the Cavaliers' defense must do some work on that fourth quarter.

Although the offense lost runner Tommy Vigorito, the second-leading rusher in Virginia history, it appears to be more versatile this season. Todd Kirtley is the experienced



Tailback Dwight Sullivan (left) and defensive end Dave Shelton of N.C. St.

He referred to heartbreakers with Rutgers and Clemson. Bestwick could have asked about what happened in the fourth quarter: outscored 115 to 40. The Cavaliers had ball possession 322.49 minutes to the opposition's 337.11, but got only 144 points (against 259). That is where something has to happen.

Defensively, the Cavaliers return eight, and Bestwick declares, "Defense will be a major strength for us. We've got more team speed than we've ever had before." Two player switches are aimed to bolster this defense. All-ACC Stuart Anderson (6-2, 245) moved in the spring from tackle to linebacker. From his down position he led the team in tackles the past two seasons. Then, QB backup Lindsay Delaney moved to strong safety, where he teams with regulars Pat Chester, Sean McCall, and quarterback. Coach Bestwick explains, "He is throwing the football much better and his arm seems much stronger. We will have a group of experienced receivers this time around, too." They include fullback Mark Sanford, who comes out of the backfield as the top returning receiver; flanker Greg Taylor, returning after an injury (hamstring); tight end Kevin Riccio; split end Henry Johnson; and incoming freshman Nick Merrick.

Replacing Vigorito as runner will be Quentin Walker (4.4 avg., 343 yards). The line, however, returns only tackle Dave Sullivan (6-8, 270), which brings starting calls for soph Randy Brookshire at tackle, junior Joe Gulaskey and soph Steve Sermonet at guards, and junior Grant Scott at center. The Cavalier attack has its job cut out also.

DUKE

(1-5-0, 2-9-0) Red Wilson, in his third season, feels, deep in his heart, that he's gaining on the Duke football situation. As a born optimist, he would naturally feel that way. But then he analyzes, "We are now at the point in our program where we could take the people we have returning this fall and play a game today not having to depend on any incoming freshmen. This is the first time we have been in that type of situation."

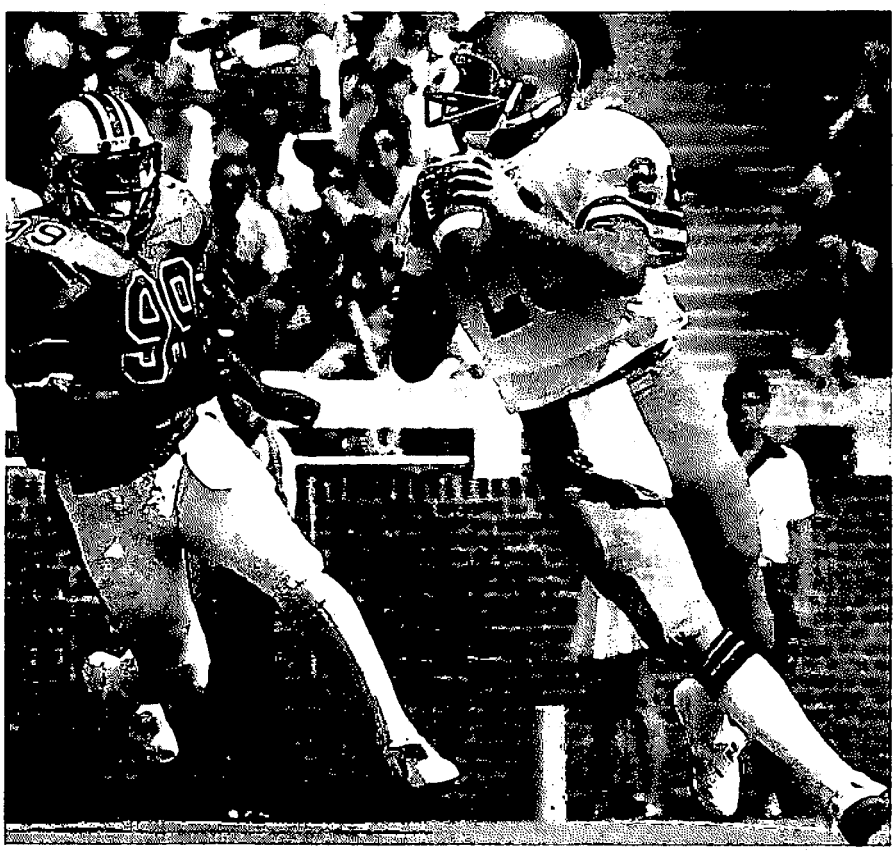
Such numbers as 50 lettermen, a majority are sophomores and juniors, provide depth and balance to a Blue Devil team that 1) threw the ball most of last fall, 2) gave up 296 points (last in the ACC), and 3) won two games (also last in the conference). Thus, numbers must relate to improvement, and coach Wilson is certainly willing to accept that formula. Duke needs a running game and a defense.

Before the opening game last fall, Wilson and Steve Spurrier, offensive coordinator, put Ben Bennett (6-2, 190) in the QB spot. He threw for 2,050 yards and 11 TD's, hitting 52.7 percent. But Bennett had 25 interceptions. Three top receivers return: Ron Frederick, Cedric Jones, and Chris Castor (together 71 catches, 1094 yards, 12 TD's).

But the rushing totaled less than 100 yards per game. The top three return: Greg Boone (340 yards), Mike Grayson (219), and Bobby Brower (212). With junior David Snow, who looked impressive in the spring game, they aim to diversify the attack. Only the tight end is missing from last fall's starting lineup. The "Big B's" head the line: tackle Tim Bumgarner (6-5, 252) and guards Brian Baldinger (6-4, 244) and Greg Bamberger (6-4, 250). They team with tackle Robert Oxendine (6-2, 255) and center Tee Moorman (6-3, 235). Place-kicker Scott McKinney, after knee surgery, returned for the spring game and his old style.

Only two defensive backs are gone from that unit, which means there is experience and playing time on that side of the ball. But the defense, remember, held only three foes to two touchdowns. In the secondary Dennis Tabron, an All-ACC who had five interceptions, and Keith Crenshaw return. Linebackers are again Jimmy Tyson, the leading tackler last fall, and Emmett Tilley.

Down linemen are again together: ends Greg Blackwell (6-4, 210) and Charles Bowser (6-3, 220), tackles F.A. Martin (6-2, 255), the second-leading tackler on the squad, and Paul Heinsohn (6-6, 245), and guard Dan Yellott (6-0, 230).



Cavaliers' Stuart Anderson harasses Navy QB Fred Reitzel in 6-3 UVA win.

This is where some of the better young players could get their varsity call quickly, even the incoming freshmen, if need be. Wilson's earlier analysis was not intended to preclude anything—or anybody. Especially since the Blue Devils open at Ohio State and South Carolina.

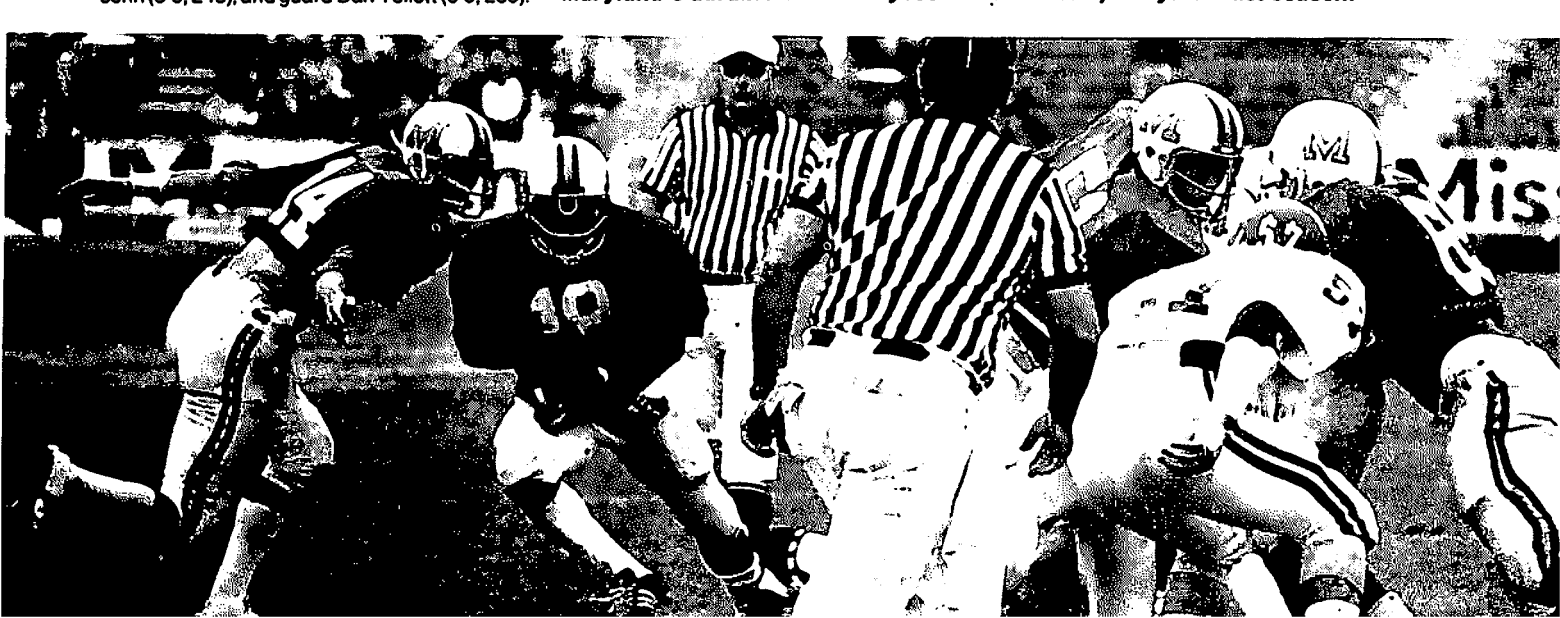
WAKE FOREST

(2-4-0, 5-6-0) Two seasons ago the Deacons, with John Mackovic's best passing game, were a full card of surprises, eight victories and the Tangerine Bowl. Last year, the surprise was gone and things just went the other way. The Deacons, among other things, lost four games by a total of seven points: 10-11 Maryland, 21-24 Virginia, 33-35 Clemson, and 38-39 South Carolina.

Mackovic is gone (to the Dallas Cowboys) and Al Groh, whom he hired as defensive coordinator, is the new coach. He's coached in the ACC for years, although Air Force and Texas Tech were his most recent assignments. He does know the ACC. He also counts 52 sophomores and juniors on the Deacon roster: "We've a very young team, as young as I've ever been around. We have the chance to be competitive, but we have a long way to go."

First off, on offense, the Deacons need a quarterback. Jay Venuto played something like 103 percent of the time a year ago, but junior Gary Schofield, who red-shirted last season, will compete with senior David Webber for the call. Groh wants to throw the ball as much as Mackovic, but he also seeks some kind of run-

Maryland's durable Charlie Wysocki rushed for 1,359 yards last season.



ning game. The top four rushers return: Wayne McMillan (694 yards), Henderson Threatt, Carlos Cunningham (246), and Dan Dougherty (109). Threatt may move to the secondary.

The receivers are outstanding: Kenny Duckett (50 catches, 656 yards, 12 TD's) and Wayne Baumgardner (41 for 764 yards, 18.6-yard average). Senior tackle Richard Baldinger (6-4, 270) heads the line as a returning starter, but young reserves will get the other calls: Jim Kolopus (6-2, 231), John Zalucki (6-3, 224), Mark Fromang (6-3, 251), Les Tripp (6-1, 264), Jeff Gjerde (6-4, 249), and Glen Campbell (6-3, 262).

A lot of different people started defensively last season and among them were some talented freshmen. Senior tackle Alex Brown (6-2, 274) represents experience up front, while sophomores Ken Tatko (tackle), Terry Vogler, and Mike Hodgson (both ends) earned starting roles by midseason. The same applied to the secondary, where all four starters are again on the field: John Swider, Pierre Brown, free safety Andy Seay, and strong safety Eddie Green. They are joined by senior Landon King and sophomore Ben Cockerham to form one of the strengths of the squad. All-ACC Carlos Bradley is gone at linebacker, but senior Joel Triplett (6-2, 212) rates among the tops in the conference, backed up by Kent Simon, Tim Salley, and Steve Litaker.

The Deacons were a second-half scoring team last fall, and those four close games were determined in the final 30 minutes. That's where the defense will have to get a bit tougher.



Ken Duckett (left) and Wayne Baumgardner are Wake Forest's receivers.

GEORGIA TECH

(0-0-0, 1-9-1) The Jackets won't be playing for the conference title quite yet, by 1982, they hope, if everything goes right. Which is possible. But, then, anything is possible in college football scheduling.

Coach Bill Curry, in his second season, can't wait for all that to happen officially. He looks at the offense, a multiple pro-I: "The overall potential is good. We will throw the ball a lot, we have two experienced quarterbacks." And then this glance at the defense: "The potential is a little less certain. We lack experience. So, the defense is a question mark." You know, of course, that Notre Dame tied Tech (3-3) in late November. Not the other way around. And against national champion Georgia in the finale QB Mike Kelley passed for 330 yards.

Even though eight starters (one time or another) return to the defense, this phase of the Jacket game needs considerable improvement. It gave up an average of 239 yards on the ground. The strongest suit of the defensive unit is linebacker, with all four returning: Duane Wood (leading tackler, school record 171) and Steve Mooney on the inside, Robert Jaracz and Lance Skelton outside. Two members of the secondary graduated, a group that had 19 interceptions, highest for Tech in a decade. Returning are juniors Ted Thurson and Mark Sheffield, joined by Bernard Stover and Sammy Brown. Ends are again junior Marvin Dyett (6-4, 242) and senior Mark Bradley (6-3, 228), and the returning guard is Wally Cawthon. Punter Jeff Pierce neared a school record with his 41 yards per boot.

Mike Kelley did a grand job as quarterback for Curry's initial season, but an injury knocked the 6-4, 187-pounder out of four games, in which soph Stu Rogers filled in. Now the Jackets have two experienced men at the position, adding Jim Bob Taylor (6-2, 190), a transfer from SMU where he was the Southwest Conference's No. 2 passer in 1979. Receivers are again tight end Glenn Etheridge, and split end Kris Kenters.

The running game has received much attention in spring drills, since it got only 99.5 yards a game last fall. The top two rushers will fill the I-spots: soph David Allen (466 yards) and junior Ronny Cone (6-2, 204) with his 400 yards. This

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adds the pressure on the blocking line: bookend tackles Ellis Gardner (6-4, 250) and David Lutz (6-6, 258), guards Ken Howell and moving-up sophomore Derek Gwinn, and junior center Mark Schultz. With 43 lettermen on hand, there is depth. And would you like to hear about Notre Dame's 3-3 tie with Tech one more time?

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

FURMAN

(7-0-0, 9-1-1) The Paladins won the conference championship with an outstanding performance a year ago, and coach Dick Sheridan, starting his fourth Furman season and already SC coach of the year twice (1978 and 1980), is willing to admit all that, but . . . . He says of the coming season, "We have to start fresh. The conference championship was last season and offensively we gained a lot of experience and most of it returns, but no way will we be the same defensively." En route to the title, with Furman's best record since 1927, the two units blended very well. Spring work was concentrated on the defense.

The Paladins will again employ the I-formation, having finished ninth nationally in rushing a year ago. The two top runners, however, have graduated. Replacing them are junior Stephen White, soph Stanford Jennings, and senior Brothel Cole, the latter averaging 6.5 yards on 96 carries. They work with veteran QB Tim Sorrells, who set school records for TD passes (14) and TD responsibility (15). On the receiving end will be starter Byron Lee at split end, tight end Terry Clark moving up. Top receiver is Billy Risher. In the line are SC Jacobs Blocking trophy winner Charlie Anderson (6-2, 230) and Steve Lloyd tackles, Mike Coleman and Dan Sleet guards, and Bart Heres center.



QB Mike Kelley of Georgia Tech

A bit more work has been done on the defense where six starters return, mainly linebackers and secondary. LB's Bruce Gheesling, Steve O'Neill, and Billy Hall are back, although Hall may move to defensive end. Furman can call on three starters in the secondary with Ernest Gibson and Gib McEachran at the corners teaming with Jeff Burke and Terry Smith, who alternated at free safety. The defensive front, however, remains open until early fall drills. Felix Andrews (6-2, 235) is again at one of the ends, possibly with Hall, and Steve Mazur holds the lead at the tackle spot. There is depth among 47 lettermen, but the defense is a major challenge: not only as defending conference champions but also as the best team in both rushing and scoring defense. They are true mathematical guidelines to league titles.

UT-CHATTANOOGA

(5-2-0, 8-3-0) The Mocs have been in the Southern Conference since 1977, and the first three seasons brought either championship or co-championship. Coach Bill Oliver's first season, just completed, certainly kept the Mocs at the top, losing to eventual champion Furman, 42-28, and finishing runner-up. But this is another year.

Oliver says,: "We must rebuild our offensive line, find out who our best running backs are, bring along a couple of quarterbacks to back up Steve Woods, find a consistent punter, develop depth in our secondary, and replace some key men in our defensive line. That's it in a nutshell." He didn't leave many bases untouched for the coming season.

Since only five starters remain offensively, that could be the No. 1 assignment. QB Steve Woods can certainly throw the ball (ranked fourth in the nation in efficiency last fall). In two seasons the six-footer has completed 162 of 320 passes for 27 touchdowns, in addition to scoring 13 himself. But the two top runners (four-year starters) are gone, and the search has been on. Best receivers are again Johnny Butler, Ed Stanford, and Tony Jackson, along with newcomer Willie Gillespie, a juco transfer. Veterans in the offensive line are two-year starting tackle Curtis Rouse (6-3, 285) and guard Malcolm Carson.

Eight regulars repeat on the defensive unit, and there is ample depth to keep the Moccasins in business on that side of the ball. Mike Hunt, who came to UTC as a walk-on and became All-SC last fall, tops the secondary, along with veteran Russ Huesman and Richard Ward. Linebacker Willis Yates, the team's leading tackler last season, was also an all-conference selection. Regulars returning in the line include ends Joe Abney and David Horton, as well as tackle Willie Little. Young players with good potential man the down linemen area, and Oliver considers linebacker to be a team strength. In fact, several of them may be switched to other defensive positions in early fall drills.

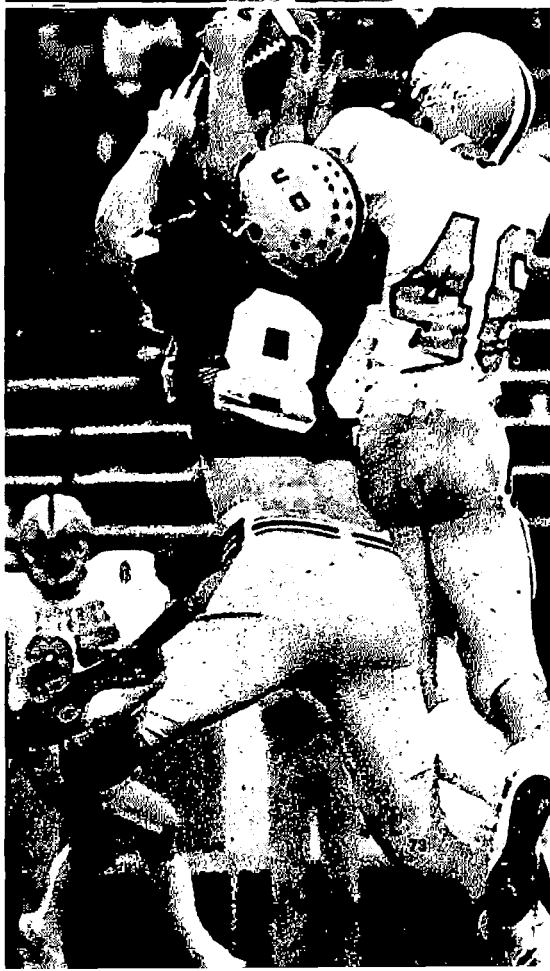
THE CITADEL

(3-2-0, 7-4-0) With the best record in a decade the Bulldogs of coach Art Baker find 38 lettermen balanced between the two units, but there are eight regulars returning on the defensive side of the field. This is where The Citadel displayed its greatest improvement last fall, holding opponents to nearly 100 fewer yards per game, gaining two shutouts, holding another to a lone field goal. Defense, then, will become the call for the Bulldogs in another challenging position for Southern Conference honors. They will miss the all-star rushing of Stump Mitchell (1,647 yards), but it's possible the veer attack will be more balanced this time.

Senior Tracey Shrader (6-2, 175) will again be the QB, and he has the experience. He hit 51.4 percent of his passes, with only seven interceptions, netting 1,061 yards—but only three TD's. In the veer, Shrader rushed 390 yards and five TD's. Strong backup Gerald Toney (6-3, 215) is also on hand. The passes go to wide receiver Byron Walker, tops last fall, split end Duane Fender, and tight end Bill White, a senior moved from fullback. Wilford Alston (444 yards) returns to fullback, and the tailbacks will be Danny Miller, out with a groin injury last year, and soph Eric Manson. The line returns guards Bobby Robinson and Pat McGroarty and tackle Joe Pipczynski.

The newcomers to the defense are end Steve Jones or Ron Gilliard, linebacker Kelly Curry, and senior Hillery Douglas in the secondary. Tackles Sedrick Brown (6-3, 245) and sophomore Kim Alexander (6-2, 250) bolster the front area, along with guard Jim Ettari and end Keith McCauley. Senior linebacker Mike Ashline was the team's leading tackler. In the secondary Chris Carter, who had six interceptions, teams with senior Bruce Alexander and junior Prince Collins.





LB Willis Yates (above left), QB Steve Woods (above right), and TE Ed Stanford of Tenn-Chattanooga

WESTERN CAROLINA

(2-4-1, 3-7-1) When the Catamounts managed to hold the opposition to two touchdowns or less, they would win or tie. But that didn't happen too often. Coach Bob Waters had a defensive unit that just couldn't stay together, sidelined an average of five starters per game in the second half of the season. The veteran coach looks to this fall: "This team has a lot of exciting, talented players, but it will be unpredictable because of the inexperience of our offensive line and total defense." To offset those problems, which drew major attention in spring drills, the Catamounts will have another good passing attack, with some help from the running game this time.

Every area on defense was hit hard by graduation, and only three starters return: seniors Scott Strickland at end, Clay Bullard at noseguard, and George Alston, a three-year regular, at defensive end. He is being converted to linebacker. The down five are not very big, or experienced. Bobby Mason and Johnny Williams move up at tackles with injury-prone Eddie Estes at the other end. Alston, an all-conference end two years ago, moves to linebacker with rookie Alan Johnson, Junior Jeffers, and Clarence Lyon. In the depleted secondary Waters calls on underclassmen: sophomores Richard Dukes and Melvin Buford, juniors Walter Smith and Larry Jackson. Incoming freshmen could get immediate calls, including Juco All-America Nathan Williams (6-1, 230), a defensive guard from Lees-McRae.

The offense has always thrown the ball well, but the running game didn't contribute much last fall. The three top rushers, tailbacks Anthony James (602 yards) and Leonard Williams (452 yards), plus fullback Mark Womack, return, but the addition of Melvin Dorsey (6-0, 198), a transfer from Georgia, makes Waters predict "a vastly improved running game." Ronnie Mixon, who shared QB duties with David Mashburn, since moved to the secondary, hit 52.3 percent of his passes last fall (1,275 yards). Tight end Eddie McGill (6-6, 225) returns, along with veteran wide-outs Jeff Dean and Dwayne Norman. Inside the offensive front will be regulars Lonnie Braxton (6-4, 235), guard, and Steve Grayson (6-3, 235), center, teaming with transfer Robbie Jackson, tackles Mike Cucinella (6-4, 245) and Mark Bicknese (6-5, 230), and guard Felix Smith (6-4, 235).

APPALACHIAN

(4-2-1, 6-4-1) For several years now, Appalachian's Mountaineers have been firing the ball from special rifles, and with considerable accuracy and results. Wide receiver Rick Beasley made all-conference three straight years, and last fall QB Steve Brown joined him. Both are gone. Young coach Mike Working looks ahead: "We anticipate an offense as good as last year, but quite obviously it won't be good until our quarterbacks find their way. We're bigger and stronger in the line, and I think our running will be better. But it will take time." He expects the defense, with more speed and a lot of experience, to shift the balance of power toward another winning season.

Several players have been moved around to obtain the defensive balance that is needed. With five returning starters on the unit, John Hampton has moved from the offense to the secondary, teaming experienced Chris Porter and Clay Gitter. Van Smith, a defensive starter



Western Carolina flanker Jeff Dean makes another acrobatic catch.

at end, is now at linebacker, teaming with returning starter Ricardo Smith, Keith Brooks, and Joe Carter. Defensive end appears a solid position with Rusty Hicks and Mike Roberts, plus Leroy Howell moved from tight end. Darren Wilson is a tackle starter, Robert Broome or Orlando Ager teaming with him, while Chuck Gordon is again the noseguard.

Junior Tom Martin and sophomore Derek Jenkins are the halfbacks, junior Stan Goodson again at fullback with Alvin Parker. Jerome McDaniel, a juco transfer from Ferrum, joins the receiving corps with Richard Knox again the tight end. Experienced people up front are center Bill Medlin, a potential for all-league honors and guard Gaither Weeks and tackle Danny Squires, each of whom started all the games. Tackle Joe Whisonant opened in nine of them. Sophomore Mike Mumper moves up at the other guard. That leaves QB, which isn't brought up just in passing. Junior Stan Goodson, who played split end, and sophomore Randy Joyce vie for the important position, and they need experience. That is the Mountaineer key.

VIRGINIA MILITARY

(1-4-1, 3-7-1) At military schools things are different. Nobody will dispute that comment, especially those who are head football coaches at same. Like Bob Thalman. Dan Fritz was certainly a capable QB for the Keydets last season, but he's no longer there. He was dismissed from school in February. Thalman is philosophical: "It is an unfortunate situation that we have lost our starting quarterbacks the past two seasons, but each time we have found a way to put it all together." There are 39 lettermen on hand, no fewer than 15 of whom have started at one time or another. VMI does have depth.

There is no such commodity, however, at quarterback. Top candidates will be backup junior Frank Brown (who threw 26 times), junior Calvin Murray (who threw one pass), and sophomores Johnny Mitchell and Sammy Lowman. The coaching staff must also find a replacement for flanker Oliver James who left school. But there is Floyd Allen, already holding the school rushing record (1,276 yards last fall), with soph Anthony Agostinelli moving up at fullback. Three of the five line starters return, led by senior center Austin Beckham (6-1, 228), guard Jay Lasek (6-1, 234), and tackle Todd Tudor (6-0, 250). Mike Hall may switch from defense to offensive guard.

Defensively, three-year letterman G.J. Walley takes one tackle, Scot Thomasson or Jim Rice the guard. Seniors Wade Foltz and Walter Sanders are the ends; all-conference prospect Melvin Rucker is at linebacker. All-SC Mike Eden tops the secondary with two other starters, Bill Corn and Leslie Dunnaville. The Keydets' overall depth on defense is as good as it has ever been.

EAST TENNESSEE

(1-4-0, 2-9-0) The kicking game is one of the brighter points on the Buccaneer football scene, seeking to overcome the disappointment which enshrouded last year in Johnson City. The defense was on the field quite a bit, and junior punter Phil Wilson got 65 occasions to do his job, averaging a good 39.9 yards. The place-kicker, senior Phil Hunt, now has a string of 43 consecutive extra points, and the only way he can advance that figure is for the East Tennessee offense to get some touchdowns. Coach Jack Carlisle, coming to his fourth season in the Southern Conference, would like nothing better, and he says, "We have a solid stable of running backs and a good offensive line which is big enough and experienced enough."

But there is a hitch: quarterback, where Jeff Davis had controlled things for several years. There is nobody with any game experience now, so there is no No. 1 quarterback as fall drills begin. The choice must come from Donnie Ruis, out of school last season, and Scott Nault, who saw no action at all, or two incoming freshmen: Rick Langford (6-3, 215) and Jeff Padgett. Earl Ferrell (524 yards), Richard Dill (527), and Rick Reeves (347) are the top three runners of a year ago, and the offense also returns flanker Ronnie Horton, wide receiver Shelby Cornelius, and the bulk of the line: tight end Mike Barnes, tackles Jay Patterson and Joe Clement, and guards Jeff Bridges and Chuck Gibson.

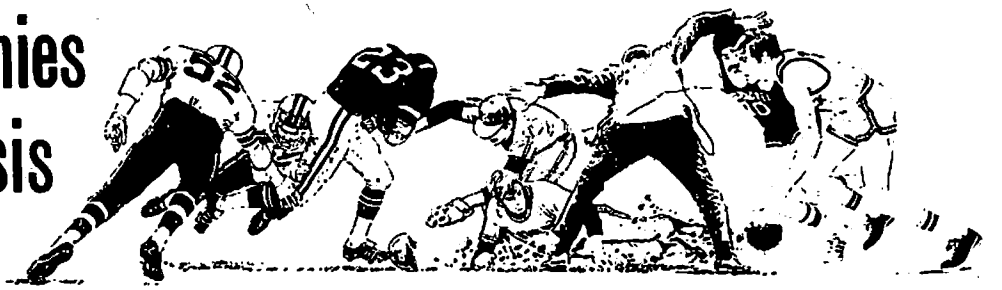
Defensively, the secondary returns: Jack Lee, Donnie Cook, Eddie Lawton, and Curtis Middleton, along with both linebackers, Shannon Depew and Mike Brown. Senior Tripp Hope returns at tackle, maybe alongside Lamar Sherman (6-3, 250), out last fall with an injury. Bennie Cook gets the call at guard. The ends are again Kelly Vanover and Tommy Thompson; safety Tim Novak returns.

MARSHALL

(0-5-1, 2-8-1) Sonny Randle, as coach, has always pushed himself with the goals that others may take more slowly, and in his third season with Marshall's Thundering Herd he wants to be heard. He says, loud and clear: "We need to get it done in '81. Winning more games than we lose is the immediate goal, of highest priority is winning our first Southern Conference game." But it will come slowly, maybe not this fall. After a 2-0 start last season, when it seemed possible (and fans turned out for the biggest crowd in Herd history), Marshall just couldn't score touchdowns. The offense got ten all year; there were two shutouts.

For whatever it's worth, there are 42 lettermen, with nine returning starters on each unit. There are also nine juco transfers, including Scott Moyer, who will get a full run at the QB job split by Tony Konopka and Jon Sharretts. The running will be sparked by Dickie Rollins (570 yards) and transfer (from Miami, Ohio) Gilbert

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Orr. The receiving is again led by flanker Darnell Richardson (31 catches) and split ends Tony Stott and Eric Janssen. Veterans in the line are large enough: guards Greg Liebe (6-2, 234) and Mike Staggs (6-3, 233) and tackles Troy McNett (6-2, 256) and Jim Hynus (6-4, 254). Place-kicker Barry Childers, as a freshman, became the first All-SC player in Herd history. His 51 points almost outscored the rest of the team.

The "Gang of Four," as the secondary was called, may be the strength of the squad. It includes Carl Lee (leading tackler for two seasons), Donnell Ross, Ken Lindsay, and Clifford Wright. Veterans are guard Poncho Borgese, tackle Tony Evans, end Jeff Durrette, and linebacker Jesse Bandy. They were touched for 245 points last fall, not an unruly total, to be sure, except when the offense cannot put anything on the board. That's why the Herd switches to the pro-I.

INDEPENDENTS

VIRGINIA TECH

(8-4-0) The Hokies have been battling South Carolina for the best independent in the region for some years now, especially since Bill Dooley came to Blacksburg, and 1981 just might be the year that that goal is achieved. There are 43 lettermen to provide leadership, which should result in a repeat bowl appearance—where Dooley ranks 10th among active major college coaches (with seven). And the coming season jets to a close with another visit to Charlottesville, old rival University of Virginia, and that's the way to end an exciting campaign.

Eight starters return on offense. The Hokies can move the football. There is Steve Casey at quarterback, starting his third year. He threw for 1,119 yards last fall, getting 13 TD's. "Plain and simply—a winner," says Dooley. He's got things to work with again, too. Junior tailback Cyrus Lawrence (5-9, 198) was All-South and eighth-ranked nationally with his school record 1,221 rushing yards. He rates with the nation's best. Fullbacks Scott Dovel (343 yards) and Tony Paige split the duties and will repeat.

Split ends Mike Giacolone and Tony McKee caught 40 passes between them, tight end Rob Purdham only seven catches—but four for touchdowns. The line includes veteran tackles Wally Browne (6-4, 265) and Wayne Mutter (6-0, 247), guards Gary Smith (6-1, 253) and George Evans (6-4, 264), and rising center Mark Udinski (6-1, 233).

The Hokie defense rated fourth nationally a year ago, and only the secondary has been depleted. Even there, however, Mike Scharnus and John Scott split some starting times with the seniors, and they provide experience. Containing the outside game will again be Robert Brown (6-3, 238) and Rick Miley. It was Brown who made All-South, having 15 tackles for opposition losses, and Dooley says, "There can't be a finer defensive end anywhere in the college ranks." Veteran Padro Phillips (6-4, 252) tops the tackles, where his running mate might well be an incoming freshman, Bruce Smith or Steve DeBell. Sophomore David Marvel advances at noseguard.

Solid is the linebacking department, where two freshmen worked their way into near stardom last fall, Ashley Lee (team leader in tackles) and Mike Johnson. The Hokies have experience, depth, and talent, and there's nothing hokey about that.

SOUTH CAROLINA

(8-4-0) No sooner did the acclamations for the Gamecocks reach their zenith—second straight eight-victory season (only in their university history), second straight national top 20, second straight bowl, and a Heisman winner—than graduation came to the campus. It reminded fans of an Atlantic hurricane. Jim Carlen, coming to his eighth season, viewed the damage: "We lost more good football players this past year than any other year since I have been a head coach."

There is experience at every position, except possibly quarterback. But the previous year the Carlen program lost 24 seniors—and survived. Quite well, thank you. Of course, it was aided by George Rogers, a prolific ball-carrier who obtained 1,894 rushing yards (with an amazing 5.8-yard avg.) in 12 games and enough votes to sweep the 1980 Heisman Trophy, a first in the history of the university, the state, and the area.

The offense gets first call herein. There are six quarterbacks, weeded out a bit in the spring, but the only one with experience is backup Gordon Beckham, who had surgery just before spring drills. He threw only 27 times. Of the running Carlen says, "We will probably go back to a four-back offense where the four can share the load equally." Five runners are senior starter Johnny Wright (481 yards) and Percy Reeves, junior Carl West, and sophomores Todd Berry and Dominique Blasingame (who blasts at 6-1, 220).

Flanker Horace Smith, a starter, was the second-leading receiver (26 for 455 yards). Five juco transfers will help out. Up front experience comes with senior tackle and two-year starter Chuck Slaughter (6-5, 250), guard Joe Doyle (6-3, 245), and center Mark Austin, a junior (6-4, 255).

The defense held its own in the early-season challenge, back-to-back road games at Southern Cal and Michigan (13-23 and 17-14), but somewhere it fell apart in the last four games (45-24, 39-38, 6-27, 9-37). Four of the front corps return: junior tackle Andrew Provence (6-3, 255), guard Emanuel Weaver (6-4, 255), and ends Phil Ellis and Hal Henderson. Both linebackers were lost, but J.D. Fuller takes over again, a starter until he had an elbow injury in the first game, granted hardship.

Secondary veterans are junior Harry Skipper, junior Pat Bowen, senior Robert Perlotte, and sophomore Troy Thomas, who started the Gator Bowl. Punter Chris Norman had a 39.2-yard average as a freshman, but Mark Fleetwood comes on now for Eddie Leopard, who did as well in his category as Rogers in his. Leopard missed only one kick (12 FG's, 42 of 43 PAT's) all fall.

RICHMOND

(5-6-0) You can't do everything in one year, but coach Dal Shealy and his staff came very close to that with the Spiders in their debut. They took the program from 0-11 to 5-6, the third-most-improved record in college football. That is certainly progress. But 1981 is a continuation, and 42 lettermen will be present to give the Spiders even more improvement. Shealy is innovative, but right now he's more interested in discovering an offensive line somewhere in there, plus some receivers. Most of the game experience comes with the defensive unit, but Shealy seeks consistency there. Defense got them out of the ball game three times—at Wyoming, at Auburn, and at Southern Mississippi.

Rushing should be a forte, especially with bullish Barry Redden (6-0, 210), now a senior. He set a school record and led the ECAC division I with 1,151 yards and ten TD's, but Redden began the year with terrific headaches. He finally shook them in midseason, so that 1,033 of those yards came in the last six games. Runners are also Reggie Evans (408 yards) and Steve Catlett (198).

Senior quarterback Steve Krainock (6-3, 185) ran the veer, passed for 1,653 yards and eight TD's, hitting 52 percent. But his receiving corps is gone, only Joe Williams (13 catches) returning. Seven lettermen are available in the line, including seniors Steve Miles (6-2, 220) and George Roberts (6-5, 240).

When Mark Seale was growing up in Ottawa, he was also a hockey player of note, huge even then, and the hockey people finally urged him to confine his athletic endeavors to football. He's a fourth-year junior (injury one season), and at 6-3, 250 is the top returning tackler. Junior end Jay Browne (6-3, 215) returns in the Spider front alignment, with sophomore John Burgess at linebacker. The secondary has experience with Steve Gerdon, Mike London, Ken Still, and Terry Waller. More improvement is there.

EAST CAROLINA

(4-7-0) The first year was honestly not a good yardstick for Ed Emory, returning to his alma mater. Injuries bugged the Pirates beyond belief. At one midseason point, not a single starter was playing on the defensive front. Emory now says, "We are looking at an extremely young club this season. There is no question we are in year two of a five-year plan."

The result was the Pirates' first losing mark since 1971, and the defense might well have been the culprit. It held the opposition to fewer than three touchdowns only twice, and both were victories (Duke, Western Carolina). The 1981 schedule also figures in the immediate Pirate future. Four of the first five games are with North Carolina, N.C. State, Toledo, and Duke—and the ACC games are on the road (naturally).

The offense returns eight starters and a good, experienced line to work the wishbone with junior Carlton Nelson again the QB. He comes off neck surgery, but he did a good job: 89 carries for 306 yards, only 56 passes thrown. The top two runners are gone, but senior Mike Hawkins returns (5.2-yard avg.), teaming with Harold Blue (5.3 avg.). Junior Roy Wiley advances at fullback and junior Will Saunders returns at tight end. Veteran linemen are tackle Tootie Robbins (6-5, 270) and Mark Ervin (6-2, 232) and guards Fee Griffin and Bud LaCock.

The defensive unit, where five starters return (although actually 13 of the Pirates started at one time or other), could break out as many as eight sophomores as regulars. The list includes tackle Hal Stephens (6-4, 205), a converted tight end; safety men Freddie Jones and Clint Harris; and ends J.C. Plott and Jeff Pegues, although senior Mike Davis is a returning starter. George Crump, (6-4, 230), a junior who was injured last season, handles the other tackle, senior Wally Myers the noseguard. The defensive unit is not large, but that appears to be a Pirate trademark from years gone by. It has got to remain healthy, and, as a result, become a bit more stingy.

WILLIAM & MARY

(2-9-0) Coach Jimmye Laycock, in his first head coaching season, ran into some problems along the road, which was to be expected,

although the final record came as a disappointment. But the Indians developed what could become a sound game, especially the ground game. Defensively, the Indians got a lot of game experience—simply because they were on the field most of the afternoon. W&M returns the nucleus of these players who got their baptism under fire, and with incoming freshmen helping in the running game, that is the basis for the anticipated improvement.

The wide-tackle six, which Laycock utilizes, has five returning starters. The tackles are big: good potential John Cannon (6-5, 245) and Wayne MacMasters (6-3, 230). The linebackers return: John Mitrovic and Owen Costello. Veteran Jerome Watters heads the secondary, which includes soph Guy Crittenden, Andre Hopkins who broke an ankle in the 1980 opening game), and Steve Breuner. Sophomores Drew Sharp and Brian Black take the terminals.

Chris Garrity, who set three college records (148 completions for 1,654 yards and 9 TD's), controls the offense as the quarterback, but he wants to do more with a running game this season. Bernie Marrazzo, missing all of last season with a knee injury, was outstanding in the spring game, and incoming freshmen will help. Line veterans, five of them, return: center Scott Tofano, guard Doug Martini, tackles Billy Wilsey and Ray Bisczat, and tight end John Liselli. Curt Wrigley, as wide receiver, took the other end of the Garrity aerial attack. Indian smoke signals will turn positive, however, only when the running turns productive.

JAMES MADISON

(4-6) Challace McMillin's team captured four of the last six games, an excellent climax for the Dukes' first season in division I-AA football. But then came graduation, which practically depleted the offensive unit, where only three starters return. There is still optimism. JMU aims for division I, and five such opponents are scheduled, and the Dukes look a couple years down the road.

Gone is the entire offensive backfield, but red-shirted Tom Bowles, who had a shoulder separation in the second game, returns at QB where he was a freshman starter. His running game goes to tailback senior Bryan Moore (217 yards) and soph Ron Ziolkowski, who moves from tight end to starting fullback. Split end Gary Clark is the top receiver (23 catches, 421 yards). Line starters are again soph guard John Blackwell and junior tackle John Kent.

The defense works off the wide-tackle six, with the half-dozen regulars again junior tackle Jon Craver (6-3, 235), junior end Bryon Arnone, senior linebacker Clyde Hoy (the leading tackler last fall), junior linebacker Charlie Newman, and defensive backs Robbie Hughes and Mike Thurman. The Dukes of Harrisonburg have some driving tricks of their own planned.

QUILFORD

(6-3) The Quakers of Charles Forbes will have a few positions to fill for the coming campaign. There will be a new set of running backs, all sophomores, highlighting Jonothan Heard if he has fully recovered from a knee injury in his freshman season. Keith Millner returns as quarterback, a good leader for the Quakers. Among the offensive linemen are tackles Ray Isherwood (6-8, 275) and Bill Branson (6-4, 260). Forbes looks ahead: "We will be stronger and better balanced."

Seven starters return defensively, including tackle Steve Phelps (6-5, 235) and linebacker Eric Holsonback (6-1, 215). An experienced secondary is headed by Jon Hoots, but it is the front where Forbes figures to have Quaker strength and potential.

MID-EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

NORTH CAROLINA A&T

(3-2-0, 9-3-0) Coach Jim McKinley's Aggies can move the ball. They led the NCAA division I-AA with 321 rushing yards per game, and even though both quarterbacks are gone, the Aggies still move. Sophomore Keith James (6-2, 195) takes over at QB, and his runners will be All-MEAC Waymon Pitts (938 yards) and Charlie (Soul Train) Sutton (500 yards, despite injuries). A&T's offensive line picked up the nickname "Operation Push," and only one guard is missing. Stalwarts include guard Mike West (6-5, 282), a Sheridan Network All-America, and tackles Maurice Bryant (6-3, 265) and Thomas Boone (6-4, 240). Defensively, a big and tall front line again handles the McKinley assignments. End James Williams (6-8, 275) came on strong late last season, and Leon Byrd (6-5, 255) tops the tackles. Veteran Mike Joyner heads the linebackers, a team strength, while only Kevin Robinson returns from the secondary. Place-kicker Aaron Herring led the team scoring with 59 points as a freshman. No wonder he's nicknamed "Ace."

BETHUNE-COOKMAN

(2-2-1, 5-4-1) The Wildcats came on strong at the tail end of their first MEAC season, and Dr. Bobby A. Frazier, the coach, finds veterans at almost every spot for the coming season. Fact is, there are nine regulars on each unit. The top three rushers return: Al Young (331 yards), Ron McGahee (275), and Mike Revell (174). Senior Kenny McMillian is the QB again, a 53.6 percentage record with only three interceptions. Receivers will be Darryll Crane, Herb Wright (All MEAC tight end), and Revell. Guard Miles McChriston tops the line. Defensively, there will be All-MEAC Booker Reese (6-7, 260) at tackle, Moses Battles at linebacker, and Charles Riggins at end.

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

(5-0-0, 10-1-0) Coach Bill Davis's team was unbeaten in league play, then waited for the division I-AA playoff spot that never came. It was unfortunate. Now the Bulldogs have to rebuild due to overwhelming losses: conference defensive player of the year, All-America offensive guard, and Prince Phillips, who quarterbacked for four seasons. The conference's leading rusher, Henry Odom (845 yards), and Anthony Reed (309) spark the attack, along with wide receiver Marlon Brown (408). Center Larry Warren (6-2, 250) has been all-conference three times already. Defensively, veterans include tackle John Courtney, linebacker Davie Harris, end Zack Grate, and back Tom Tutson.

FLORIDA A&M

(2-3-0, 5-6-0) The young Rattlers got off to a rocky start in a new conference under coach Rudy Hubbard. But there are 47 lettermen, including eight offensive and ten defensive starters. Nathaniel Koonce is the QB. He had the third-best passing in the league. There are three good runners: Greg Fashaw, Archie Jones, and Frank Middleton. Seniors spark the right side of the line: guard Larry Farris and tackle Arthur (Big O) Wellons. All-conference Nathaniel Newton (6-3, 250) tops the defense, with linebackers R.C. Eason, soph, and Al Gardner, junior. Seniors Dorsey Hutchinson and Lewis Wilkinson head the secondary for this comeback year.



Richmond's honors candidate Barry Redden rushed for 1,151 yards.

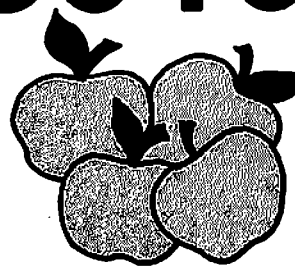
HOWARD

(2-2-1, 6-2-2) Third-year coach Floyd Keith, after the Bison's best season since 1975, has balance for the offense which brought the MEAC's leading passing attack (ranked sixth in the nation). And the Bison air defense (93.8 yards per) was the best in the country for division I-AA. Three top receivers return, all-conference Tracy Singleton, Robert Artisst, and soph Oliver Bridges. The QB will be a newcomer, leaving senior Raymond Gray with the main job. Runners will be senior Greg Banes (699 yards), Rufus Outlaw, and fullback Jeff Owens. All-MEAC tackle John Bilberry tops the line, returning intact. Senior ends Reggie Johnson and Jeff Wise lead defensively, where the secondary is strong with juniors Doug Jones and Jimmy Diggs and sophomore Chris Jackson, who had seven interceptions.

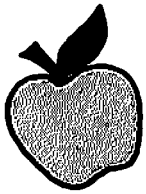
DELAWARE STATE

(0-5-0, 2-9-0) Joe Purzycki, an assistant at the University of Delaware, becomes the first white coach in Delaware State's 90-year football history. He's installing the wing-T, but more important, an attitude toward winning. The coach says, "I see nothing but growth for the program." Defensively, the front line is intact, the linebackers are veterans, and defensive

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Delaware State quarterback Sam Warren passed for 7 TD's in 1980.

back Tim King led the team in tackles. Samuel Warren may get the QB call with the running handled by Johnny Rowe (440 yards), Doug Picott, and Ron Weaver. But the offensive line has more gaps than the Grand Canyon.

SOUTH ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

ELON

(6-1-1, 13-1-1) When coach Jerry Tolley says something like this, "I'm looking for another good season if we can patch up a few holes in our offense—like punter, tight end, and tailback—we'll be okay," he means trouble. That's defending the NAIA championship, and with eight starters on both offense and defense, Elon's Fighting Christians certainly intend to make that a successful quest. QB John Bangley led Elon to the national title in his first season, and he returns rusher Fred Jordan (914 yards), aided by Mike Harper and incoming freshman Curtis Joyner. The receivers return intact, led by flanker Steve Vargas and split end Chris McCauley. The line again blocks with tackles Harold Hill (6-1, 236) and Toney Pethel (5-9, 240), guard Alan Peters, and center Clint York.

The defense is solid. Chris Worst (6-0, 210) starts it at noseguard, flanked by tackles Quinton Ballard (6-2, 252) and Adrian Robertson (6-4, 254), with Jeff Cooper and Mark Dennis advancing as ends. The Tootoo brothers, Ernie (All-SAC) and Stanley (All-District 26), make life miserable as linebackers, while All-SAC Greg Bynum and Charles Womack spark the secondary. On top of all this, Elon had the best recruiting year possible. It simply adds up to more NAIA national honors.

MARS HILL

(6-1-0, 8-2-1) The Lions come off a South Atlantic co-championship and the best record in school history. Claude Gibson was elected co-coach of the year with (Elon's Jerry Tolley), and Mars Hill beat Elon in the second game. QB Tim Gearrin, now a sophomore, came on strong in the latter of last season. He leads the offense with fullback Gary Smith. Six all-conference playes graduated, meaning the offensive line has holes, although quite a few players got into game action. Senior William Mitchell, however, does retail all-conference honors as a specialist. He returned ten kickoffs at a 30.5-yard average and 34 punts for 11.4 per.

Defensively, the front wall returns intact with All-SAC junior tackle Ricky Williamson (6-4, 230) leading the charge, along with juniors Chris Ellis, Eddie Bristow, Ken Gentry, and sophomore Mike Bloodworth. Experience, however, is needed behind the line in order for the Lions to continue being the No. 1 defensive team in NAIA (5.3 points per game).

CARSON-NEWMAN

(5-2-0, 5-5-0) Coach Ken Sparks has 40 lettermen who fill seven starting spots on offense and defense. Junior QB Jay Andrews was All-SAC, the conference's total-offense leader with 1,565 yards, and he has junior running backs Hugh Rutledge (588 yards) and Boyce Green (708). The veteran line includes All-SAC center Doug Malone and senior guard Greg Sharpe, plus Martin Young, Sam Anderson, and Scott McClanahan. All-SAC Brad Payne sparks the secondary, aided by linebacker Melvin Melton (second all-league), end Jerome Taylor, and noseguard Mike Williams. With Payne in the secondary are experienced Derek Goodson, Dwayne Matthews, and Steve Mills. Freshmen will move into several spots, but the Eagles can challenge, again.

GARDNER-WEBB

(2-5-0, 3-7-0) Thirty-six lettermen return and third-year coach Tom Moore feels the offense will be "very explosive, especially through the air." I-formation QB Chip Stuart (6-2, 180) led the conference in passing with 206 yards per game (missing three games with knee injury). He moves with senior running back Rosey Kirby and soph Douglas Bonner. Senior Lanky Willlams caught 51 passes. Center Chuck Dickson (6-3, 239) tops the offensive line. Ten starters work the Bulldogs on defense, led by senior Ralph Warthen (6-5, 268), a second-team NAIA All-America tackle. Linebackers Mike Houston and Johnny Baker return.

PRESBYTERIAN

(3-4-0, 4-7) The Blue Hose were somewhat blue last fall, in their first losing season in many years after being rated no worse than co-favorite after a 1979 regular-season No. 1 small-college ranking. Coach Cally Gault, beginning his 19th season, returns 21 lettermen, losing five all-conference seniors. New players will get an immediate call from a good recruiting season.

NEWBERRY

(2-4-0, 3-6-0) Newberry will have 17 full-time starters intact, sufficient experience for coach Reed Charpia beginning his fourth season. Senior QB Eddie Pettus and junior tailback Will Ottaway top the offense, the latter being the top runner and receiver despite injuries. Tackles Bray Ayers and Hal Moore led the line for its second year of togetherness. The Indians got only 97 points last fall. Defensively, seven regulars return, including linebacker Mark Weeks (the team's top tackler) and middle guard Darrell Croft, who had six sacks.

LENOIR RHYNE

(3-4-0, 4-7-0) In his second year, coach Henry Vansant looks for definite improvement with 30 lettermen, including 12 starters, plus transfers who figure strongly. Steve Fleming led the SAC in receiving, and the top five runners are back, paced by Darryl Hymes. The new QB will be Don Kirkpatrick. The defense was quite leaky last season, and veteran linebackers Ernie Brown and James Devine, who were on-two in tackles, spark the revitalization. Secondary veterans are Ted Ash and Derek Latham. Newcomers expected to give the Bears some bite are runner Dexter Maxwell, noseguard Butch Gunter, tackle Craig Carnes, and linebacker Rickey Stallings.

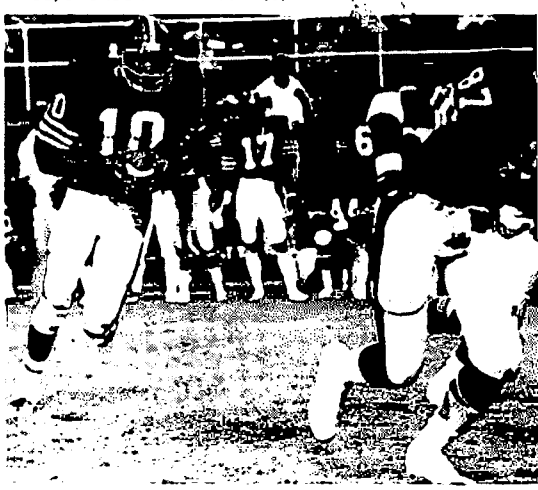
CATAWBA

(0-7-0, 1-9-0) Catawba looks for a definite comeback after coach Steve Shaughnessy's disappointing inaugural season. The offense changes to the I-formation with running backs Chris Cook, Chip Irby, Dana Wiley, Larry Brown, and Glenn Connelly. Quarterback Ronnie Arrant, sophomore, returns, being pushed by transfer John Cotta (Idaho State). Replacements are needed on defense, but experience comes with tackle Kevin Parks, end Rick Royal, linebacker Al Hicks, and secondary Mark Teat and Vic Robinson.

SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

GRAMBLING

(5-1-0, 10-2-0) Coach Eddie Robinson, beginning his 40th Tiger season, can win his 300th game this season (record: 292-92-11), and he might capture the NCAA division I-AA championship in the process. The trail for the latter ended at Boise State last December, in 20-degree weather. The Tigers are again growling, with eight starters on each unit available. Senior QB Thomas Ezell moves up, directing runners Kenneth Jackson and Ernest Walker, as well as wingback Trumaine Johnson (400 yards rushing, 13 TD pass catches, 96 points, everything). Jerry Gordon was the top receiver (42 catches). The offensive line includes center McKary Jackson, guards Lucius Roseboro and Clifton Hives, and tackle Fred Johnston.



QB Keith Taylor accounted for over 1,000 yards of Jackson State offense.

The defense was tough, Mike Hayes intercepting eight times, but it was the "Trees of Terror" which brought about just that. Grambling's front towered over everything: ends Robert Smith (6-8, 235) and Arthur King (6-6, 260), tackles Willie Blount (6-5, 260) and Robert Thomas (6-4, 261). Adding to that, incidentally, is a freshman recruit from Houston, a defensive tackle: Fred Polk (6-11, 325).

JACKSON STATE

(5-1-0, 8-3-0) The Tigers averaged 307.2 yards offensively, although that was more than a hundred yards back of Grambling, and coach

W.C. Gordon's veteran team tied the other Tigers for the SWAC championship. There are experienced players returning, on the defense the standout being end Thomas Straughters (6-4, 240), a junior who was All-SWAC. Moving the offense will be Keith Taylor at quarterback, where he rushed for 333 yards and passed for 707, and Sylvester Stamps, a sophomore who led the conference in kickoff returns. It will be a contending year.

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY

(3-3-0, 5-5-0) The Delta Devils return a lot of veterans from a fine season in which coach Archie Cooley Jr. shared the conference coach of the year acclaim with Grambling's Eddie Robinson. The Devils had the third-best offense in the conference, by the statistics (274.7 yards per game). Although there is a new QB, the attack is expected to continue at the same pace. Runner Robert Powell (530 yards) was the No. 4 rusher in the league. Two defensive returnees made All-SWAC: tackle Phillips Darns (6-4, 250) and punter Otis Culliver, 40.5 yard average on 64 kicks.

ALCORN STATE

(3-3-0, 6-4-0) Alcorn St. had the league's second-best defensive record a year ago, and some of the experienced starters return for coach Marino Casem. Twelve starters are back from the two units. The top running back will be Gregory Jones (5-11, 182), who was the conference's top rusher with 1,054 yards.

SOUTHERN

(3-2-0, 4-5-1) Southern will have a new coach, Otis Washington, as the Jaguars go on a rebuilding program. The offensive line is bolstered by guard Jerrell Franklin (6-3, 255), a senior who made all-conference.

TEXAS SOUTHERN

(2-4-0, 2-9-0) Texas Southern finished last in total defense, next to the SWAC bottom in total offense. The new coach will be John Redmond.

PRAIRIE VIEW

(0-6-0, 2-8-0) The Panthers rebuild from a disappointing season that failed to bring a conference triumph. Their offense was somewhat sub par, having only 154 yards rushing and passing.

CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Northern Division

NORFOLK STATE

(3-3-1, 5-4-1) With 19 of 22 starters back from the a team that went undefeated in its last four games last fall, Norfolk State hopes to return to the CIAA championship rung. Coach Dick Price enters his eighth season with a 47-27-3 record. "We will still be young," says Price, "but will definitely be a contender for the title."

At last midseason, 6-2 freshman Raynard Revels took over at QB, and the coming offense also includes running back Orlando Goodhope (994 yards) and receiver Jeff Gunn, the top CIAA pass-catcher. Blocking focuses on Don Herring (6-6, 270), a Sheridan Network All-America. The Spartans, always known for their defense, thus offer an explosive attack again. Defensively, the key is the linebacking combo, Ronnie Palmer and junior Lee Billups, 1-2 in tackles last season. Senior safety Reggie Smallwood, All-CIAA, had five interceptions and 20 knocked-down passes.

VIRGINIA UNION

(5-1-1, 9-1-1) Coach Willard Bailey's Panthers gave up only seven points a game and scored 39, both leading the CIAA. This coming team will be just as good. Defensively, the Panthers return All-CIAA linebacker Kevin Patterson and deep back William Dillion, who led the league with seven interceptions. Up front will again be junior Dwayne Drew, Curtis Grant, and Felix Tyson, with Larry Curtis sparking the younger sophomores. QB Ricky Johnson tops a three-man corps at that position, and veterans are in the running slots, where freshmen played a year ago. The offensive line will include seniors Bret Gibson, the co-captain, and Charles Harris, junior Robert Collier, and Donald Harrell. It is another talented ball club.

HAMPTON INSTITUTE

(3-4-0, 5-6-0) This year brings in new coach Ed Wyche, moving up from Walter Lovett's staff. Forty-one lettermen return, with eight offensive starters and 15 transfers. Dennis Mahan, CIAA offensive player of the year (1,109 yards rushing, 86 points, both conference highs), sparks the offense again, running with soph Anthony Armstrong (765 yards). In the line are Mike Johnson (6-0, 279), Kevin Ross (6-2, 270), and Mike Cook. Tackle Geroge Cousar, All-NAIA district 19, tops the defense with Clarence Hawkins and soph Dalma Thomas. Running backs Tom Ingram and William Lloyd have been switched to the defense.

ELIZABETH CITY STATE

(5-2-0, 7-3-1) There is experience in the returnees, including eight starters for coach Johnnie Walton. Offensive players are Gary Sneed, a running back with 20 pass catches, wide receiver Barry Wallace, and quarterback Ralph Eagleton (1,098 passing yards). Defensively, the top linemen are Robert Porter, a big end, and James Hilton, a tackle who is called "Sugar Bear." There are 13 more seniors, mostly in starting assignments for Walton's second season with the Vikings.

VIRGINIA STATE

(2-5-0, 3-8-0) Coach George Moody returns to his alma mater, but it's really a step from the coaching staff to head man. He says, seriously: "I'm looking at 8-2 and 7-3. I think we can make that progress." There are 45 lettermen. Key returnees will be running back Keith Price, quarterback Alvin Hampton, and tackles Milton Johnson and Stanley Spencer on offense. Defensive strength is up front, Willie Jackson at end and Ed Jones at tackle.

ST. PAUL'S

(4-3-0, 4-6-0) Their best season ever in the CIAA, but the Tigers have a new coach to replace Pernell Simms, who moved to Virginia State. The task will be arduous, replacing the seniors who included QB Willie Bell.

Southern Division

NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL

(7-0-0, 7-5-0) The Eagles entered the CIAA a year ago, after being in the MEAC for ten years, and they swept through unbeaten to the conference championship. But coach Henry Lattimore is quite cautious about a repeat. There are 15 starters back among 41 lettermen, but the Eagles lost both quarterbacks, their top receiver, and top linemen. But the first three running backs return: Roscoe Burnette (660 yards), Michael Worthy (561), and Bennie Tate (376). Up front senior tackles Clarence Kenny (6-1, 250) and Charles Bush (5-10, 245) are leaders. Linebacker Chris McKinstry tops the defense, where players have switched around. Also up front are soph Joshua Paige (6-2, 250) and transfer Earl Crosby (6-4, 241). Senior David Riley leads the secondary, which returns intact.

WINSTON-SALEM STATE

(5-2-0, 5-5-0) Coach Bill Hayes loses some outstanding players, as the Rams did a year ago, but there is experience on both units along with 30 high school signees, including running back Victor King (6-2, 220). King may soon work into the backfield with Mike Ferguson, directed by veteran Karlton Watson, who hit 52 percent of his passes and ranked second in the CIAA. Receivers Denard Smith and Sydney Wilkins are on hand again. Center Barry Traynham sparks the line, which will be young. Defensively, there is a corps of returning regulars, topped by Lawaska Jenkins and Alvin Barnes. However, coach Hayes has two incoming freshmen who may get immediate battle duty: defensive tackle Darryl Page (6-2, 270) and linebacker Greg Jefferies.

JOHNSON C. SMITH

(3-4-0, 4-7-0) JCS started to climb in the conference standings a year ago, and there were two losses by a minimum of margins. Coach Wylie Harris aims for additional improvement this season. Fifteen starters return, making the defensive unit strong. Defensive end Daniel Beauford, an NAIA All-America, anchors the line while All-CIAA Alveraz Abernathy sparks the secondary. The offensive backfield returns intact, along with wide receiver Nate McDowell and star linemen Kenneth Jones and James Hairston.

FAYETTEVILLE STATE

(2-5-0, 3-5-0) There were some big losses, and second-year coach Tom Morris has quite a job replacing them and keeping the Broncos moving up in the conference standings. There are lettermen on hand, including last year's starters in more than several positions, with Barney Mason in the defensive line.

LIVINGSTONE

(0-7-0, 0-10-0) Mel Rose was selected off the S.C. State staff to take over as head of the struggling Bears, once called the Fighting Bears. The 0-10 team, worst record in school history, started as many as 16 freshmen. Soph QB's will be Gregory Stroman and Michael Lacey. Returning will be Glen Bullock (6-0, 245), an offensive tackle who sat out last season. Linebackers top the defense, led by James Saunders and Rossie Boyd. Among the freshmen is Angelo Weaver in the line.

BOWIE STATE

(1-5-0, 2-8-1) The Bulldogs were placed in the Southern Division just to even out the numbers, and the team will have a tough time keeping up here. Coach John Organ does return quite a few veterans from last year, including quarterback Antonio Fountaine. The QB turned in the conference's best passing record, based on completions per game, but he did have 14 interceptions. It will be another young squad.



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FORT WORTH STAR-TELEGRAM

Who would have believed it? For most of two decades—the 1960's and the 1970's—there had been a sharp dividing line between the state and private schools which make up the Southwest Conference. Now we are in the 1980's, and look what happens!

Last year: (1) Baylor not only won the SWC football title, the Baptist Bears did it with an 8-0 record and with a three-game margin over second-place SMU and Houston, (2) The private schools, all but one (Rice) church-related, won 12 and lost 8 against the state schools, and (3) Rice not only jumped up to a 5-6 record, but also defeated Houston, Arkansas, and Texas A&M in the process.

That dividing line—state/private, strong/weak—has become blurred. But it hasn't disappeared, even though this fall the private schools (and no other major conference has so many) will still be a force. Baylor could again challenge for the top, and SMU is prowling around the edges of the power structure. Rice may not be as potent as last year, but the Owls and the TCU Frogs are both on an upward course, troublesome to say the least.

On the other hand, the University of Texas, most heavily endowed of institutions with its 40,000-plus student body, is the SWC favorite, followed by a dangerous bunch of Houston Cougars. If a private school wins the title, it will again be a major upset.

A poll of SWC points shows at least a little first-place sentiment for Texas, Houston, Arkansas, and Baylor. But mostly for the Longhorns.

"They've got all those people coming back," explains a rival coach.

Texas does have a flock of good returnees, especially linemen and linebackers. But the Longhorn offense has been sporadic recently. Erstwhile quarterback Donnie Little wound up at split end in spring training. Successor Rick McIvor is still unproven. Doesn't Texas have uncertainty at quarterback?

"Yeah, sure," says this coach. "But they still have all those people coming back, and they could always put Little back at quarterback."

So even the favorite has its potential flaws. Houston might have been ranked right with Texas, but quarterback Brent Chinn suffered a career-ending neck injury. That leaves the Cougars with question marks of their own.

Arkansas came on strong late last season, and has good talent if it can stay healthy. Baylor lost the soul of its defense, its mighty linebackers, but still has offensive punch (the Bears ran 901 plays last year, the most in SWC history) to keep pressure off its defense. SMU has marvelous players like backs Craig James and Eric Dickerson, and lacks only a proven offensive line and secondary.

Even Texas A&M, so often disappointing when picked high, has the potential to be a dark horse in the race now that the Aggies are picked in the middle of the pack.

The schedule may even work against a Texas title surge. The Longhorns face Houston, SMU, Arkansas, and A&M on the road this year. The same schedule works in Houston's favor, as the Cougars get Texas, Baylor, and SMU in the Astrodome.

But the pick is still Texas, until a better one comes along.

Texas, however, doesn't have ALL the talent. There are standout athletes sprinkled through the conference and the region. Billy Ray Smith of Arkansas is a defensive terror. Vann McElroy of Baylor could be one of the best defensive backs around. Charles Benson of Baylor is a one-man pass defense when he rushes from the end. Houston tackle Maceo Fifer (280) is certainly a man, as is Texas Tech lineman Gabriel Rivera (also 280). Runners? How about

PREDICTIONS

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE
1. Texas, 2. Houston, 3. Baylor, 4. SMU, 5. Arkansas, 6. Texas A&M, 7. Texas Tech, 8. Rice, 9. TCU

INDEPENDENTS
1. North Texas State, 2. Texas Lutheran

SOUTHLAND CONFERENCE
1. McNeese, 2. Louisiana Tech, 3. Southwestern Louisiana, 4. UT-Arlington, 5. Arkansas State, 6. Lamar

LONE STAR CONFERENCE
1. Southwest Texas, 2. Angelo State, 3. Texas A&I, 4. S.F. Austin, 5. East Texas, 6. Abilene Christian, 7. Sam Houston State, 8. Howard Payne

TEXAS INTERCOLLEGIATE A.A.
1. McMurry, 2. Austin College, 3. Sul Ross, 4. Tarleton State, 5. Trinity, 6. Lubbock Christian

Baylor's Walter Abercrombie, Arkansas' will-o'-the-wisp Gary Anderson, SMU's Gold Dust Twins, James and Dickerson, or A&M's Johnny Hector?

And the pass-and-catch boys. Just a few years ago the SWC had deserted its pass-minded history and become the home of three yards and a cloud of dusty and bored fans. The cradle of the wishbone and other option-rushing attacks. That's changing, rapidly.

Different blocking rules may accelerate a national (and SWC) trend toward the pass. McIvor, at Texas, is a strong-armed thrower who can heave a spiral 85 yards or more, and the Longhorns will pass. The Aggies plan to pass, with young Gary Kubiak. Arkansas' Tom Jones will throw it. Ron Reeves at Texas Tech is an established chucker, as is Baylor's Jay Jeffrey. And the best of all may be TCU's Steve Stamp.

Stanley Washington of TCU used acrobatic catches to make all-conference last year. He heads a group of receivers which includes Mike Whitwell of A&M, Renie Baker of Tech, 6-8 Robert Hubble of Rice, and Lonell Phea of Houston.

Nor is all the talent in the SWC. Pete Harvey of North Texas is a whiz receiver. Rusty Guilbeau of McNeese is as good a defensive lineman as any coach would want.

McNeese is a top-heavy choice to repeat in the Southland Conference, perhaps challenged by Louisiana Tech. The annual Lone Star Conference dogfight should boil down to Southwest Texas, Angelo State, and Texas A&I. McMurry hopes to rule the Texas Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

The major coaching changes in the Southwest for 1981 are related. Rex Dockery left Texas Tech for Memphis State, which resulted in Jerry Moore taking his "Nebraska" system from North Texas to Texas Tech. North Texas then hired former Mississippi State mentor Bob Tyler.

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

TEXAS

Talent, experience, hunger. Hunger? Yes, this could be a hungry Texas Longhorn team. Even a little desperate, ready to take chances.

The Longhorns have been shut out of the SWC throne room for three years, not what their fans expect. And last year the wheels almost came off entirely, with four conference losses (SMU, Texas Tech, Baylor, Texas A&M) leading to a fourth-place finish. Enough is enough, they are saying in Austin, and despite 17 returning starters there are some startling changes for 1981.

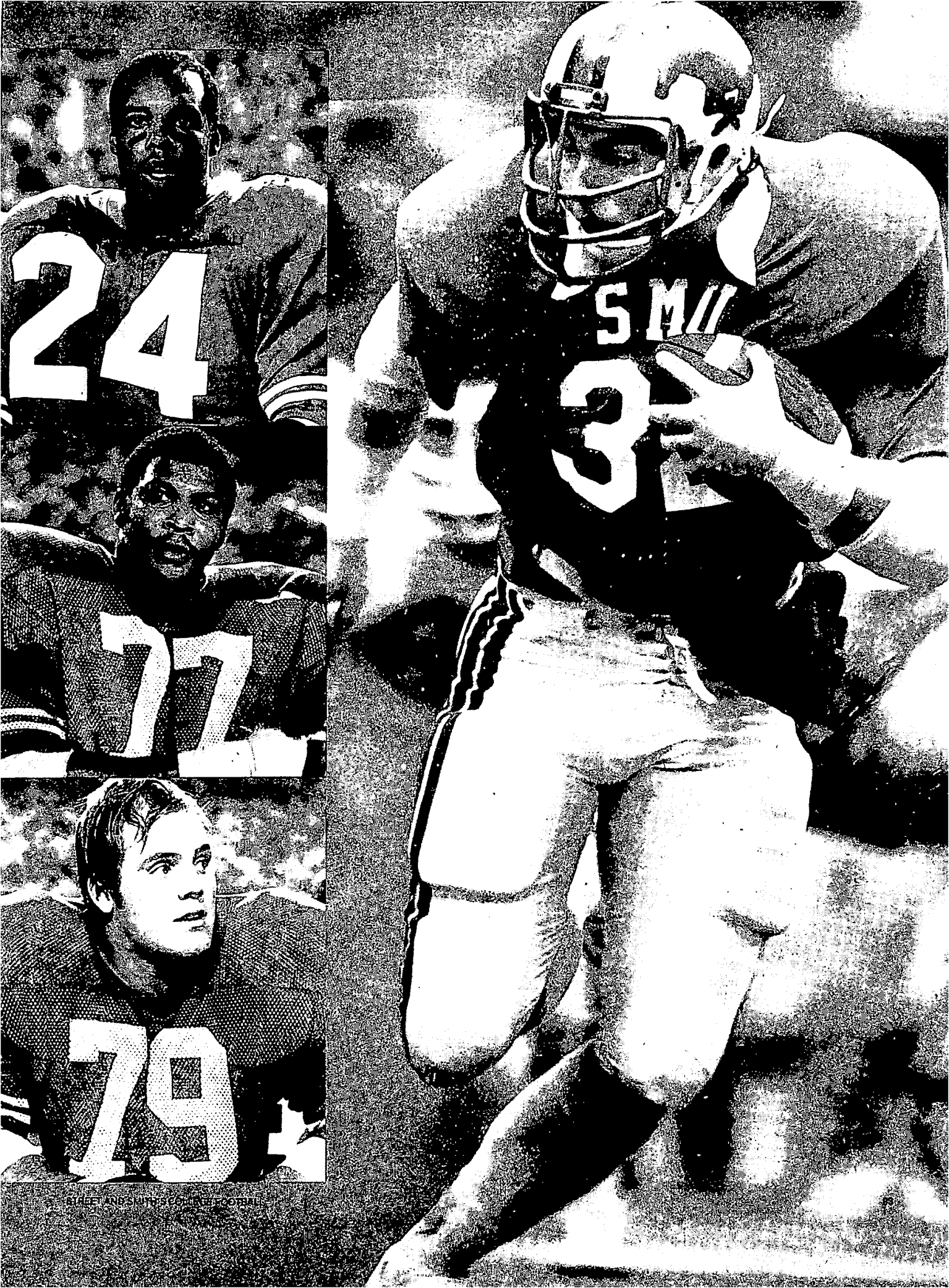
For three years Donnie Little has been the next great Longhorn quarterback. Suddenly, entering his senior year, Little (6-1, 196) is the next split end, and Rick McIvor is penciled in at quarterback. That may mean a more wide-open offense. McIvor (6-4, 200) has undisputed ability, especially as a deep passer. In sporadic action behind Little last year he completed 45 passes for 751 yards.

There is great running potential from Texas's I and veer attack, built around A.J. (Jam) Jones (204), Carl Robinson (200), Rodney Tate, and Darryl Clark, veterans all. Jones is the wheel horse, with speed and power. He gained 918 yards as a sophomore in 1979, only 657 last year while plagued with injuries. Clark came from nowhere last season to rush for 353 yards. Actually Little was the team's No. 2 rusher (486 yards), which is a talent he takes to split end. Maurice McCloney (188) returns at flanker, and tiny Herkie Walls (a 9.2 sprinter) is also an available target for McIvor's strong arm.

A veteran offensive line should be a big plus. Sophomore Doug Dawson (242) at right guard is the only newcomer. Terry Tausch (265) is an All-America candidate at one tackle, with Bryan Millard (254) at the other. Joe Shearin, hampered by illness last fall, returns at guard, with Mike Babb (270) a powerful anchor at center. Senior Lawrence Sampleton (6-6, 230 and fast) caught 20 passes for 381 yards last year and returns at tight end, where his blocking is essential.

Not many changes on defense, always a Texas strong point, because nine starters are back, led by All-America tackle Kenneth Sims and some outstanding linebackers. Sims (6-6, 265), nicknamed "Special K," had 100 unassisted tackles and 13 quarterback sacks

The eyes of Texas: SMU RB Craig James and Longhorns (top to bottom) Jam Jones, Kenneth Sims, and Terry Tausch of the SWC


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last season. In his spare time he caused five fumbles, recovered four, and blocked a kick. Sophomore John Haines (6-6, 247) could be the other tackle, with Mark Weber (233) also available. Veteran Dewey Turner (6-1, 250) and super sophomore Ed Williams (215) should handle the ends, where Kiki DeAyala and Eric Holle could also figure in.

Senior middle linebacker Doug Shankle (230) has been starting since midway in his freshman year, and always leads the team in tackles. Bruce Scholtz (6-6, 233) is another three-letter man at outside linebacker, paired with sophomore strong man Jeff Leiding (240).

The secondary returns intact—Mike Hatchett and J.T. Dilworth at the corners, William Graham (186) and Bobby Johnson (186) the safeties.

The makings are there for Fred Akers' team. If the quarterback situation is resolved, and with some luck, look out for Texas.

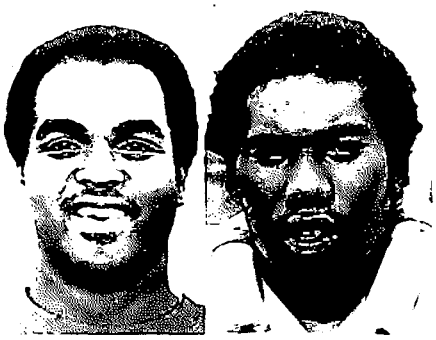
HOUSTON

Last year was a medium-sized downer for the Cougars. There were key players who, according to insiders, lacked a little get-up-and-go. They went through four quarterbacks, as field generals lined up at the infirmary with various breaks and tears. The running game, a Houston specialty, faltered. The Cougars wound up 7-5 (counting a 35-0 blitz of Navy in the Garden State Bowl) and three games off the pace in the SWC.

Now, those same insiders say, there is a new intensity in Bill Yeoman's camp. Maybe the big names aren't there, but the players are. They say it's the kind of outfit—fast and feisty—which Yeoman savors. In other words, look out, world.

One problem did develop in the spring. The most experienced of the three young quarterbacks, Brent Chinn, suffered a neck injury which probably ended his football career. That leaves sophomore Audrey McMillian (166) as No. 1, backed by sophomore Lionel Wilson. In five games last year, McMillian threw only eight passes, completed only two. So the veer running attack must carry the load. For the record, McMillian has been operating the veer since he was 14 years old.

David Barrett (215) is the leading returning rusher. Eddie Wright, Allen Polk (212), and redshirt sophs Robert Durham (205) and Dallas Wiggins (193) can carry the mail, too. The receiving, if any, will also be solid. Lonell Phea (175) is an all-the-way threat with a pass or a punt return. Seasoned Mark Ford (207) inherits the job at tight end.



Maceo Fifer and Grady Turner of Houston

There is a green tinge to the offensive line, despite the awesome presence of tackle Maceo Fifer (280) and the return of guard Bobby Grimes (240). Billy Kidd (240) takes over at center, W.C. Ranson (247) at one tackle, and either Brian Wilkinson or Scott Marshall at guard. None of them are lettermen.

If the offense raises questions, the Cougar defense may raise bruises. Nine starters are back, plus some help from afar. The ends are veterans Alvin Ruben (230) and Kelly McDonald (217), backed by veterans Greg Harmon and Leo Truss. Terry Monroe (261) is a terrific tackle. DeWayne Calloway should operate on the other side, with 300-pound soph Earl Jones also available. Taking over the noseguard duty is Raymond Robinson (6-2, 250), a Texan who first defected to UCLA and now has defected back.

Grady Turner returns at one linebacking spot, if he can hold off eager squadman Eugene Lockhart. Turner made 111 tackles last year. Junior Weedy Harris (207) is ready for stardom on the other side.

There's equal experience, and greater depth, in the secondary. James Durham, Reggie Vonner (181), Butch LaCroix (183), Donnie Love (185), and Calvin Eason (185) all have been starters, and Dinky Edwards is back after missing 1980. Vonner was the leading interceptor a year ago.

That defense really looks solid.

If one of the teen-age quarterbacks comes through, and the offensive line proves itself, Houston will be in the thick of things. Maybe even where it expected to be a year ago.

BAYLOR

When the Bears surprised with an SWC title in 1974, their motto was "I believe." Well, they did it again in 1980, carrying a 10-1 record into a Cotton Bowl loss to Alabama, and this time the slogan might be, "Where'd they all go?"

It's hard to see how Baylor can be as good again, having lost three outstanding linebackers (including two-time All-America Mike Singletary) and four other defensive starters, plus two-thirds of the offensive line and the starting wide receivers. But wait—all hope is not lost, because Grant Teaff still has plenty of talent on his squad.

Walter Abercrombie, for instance. Abercrombie (205) is already Baylor's all-time leading rusher. He romped for 1,187 yards last season and had eight 100-yard-plus games. He's a dandy. His sidekick, stubby Dennis Gentry (180), is no slouch, either, and Alfred Anderson (290 yards and nine TD's in spot duty as a freshman) will also see playing time.

Quarterbacking again will be Jay Jeffrey (181), the All-SWC field general of last year. Robert Mitchell (6-6, 201) steps in at split end, with swift Gerald McNeil (140, soaking wet) at flanker. McNeil already has the school punt-return records. Mike Lively (212) is a seasoned tight end.

The offensive line needs few repairs. Guard Mark Kirchner (246) and tackle Bobby Glass (245) return, as does Mark Addickes (260), a starter until he was injured in last year's opener, at the other tackle. Randy Grimes (250) adds heft at center, and Mark Johnson (234) is a letterman guard.

All in all, offense is in good hands.

The real rescue job is on defense. Nobody loses the type of linebackers Baylor had enjoyed without feeling the pinch. There is pressure on people like lettermen Greg Gibson (220) and Geff Gandy (238) and junior-college transfer Keith Walters (220) to produce in a hurry. Others, even freshmen, might get a chance, too.

If the defensive line is as a green as a Baylor jersey, it also contains some prospective star material. Charles Benson (237) was an amazing pass rusher at defensive end last year, batting down 13 throws and making 16 tackles for losses. The other returning starter is tackle Tommy Tabor (260), who came into his own with 15 tackles in the Cotton Bowl loss. Moving up at the other tackle is Pat Coryatt, a sophomore who combines speed with 270 pounds of muscle. Paul Mergenhagen (230) is another outstanding prospect. Travis Selph (221) inherits the other flank.

All-conference Vann McElroy (6-2, 180) led the league in pass thefts a year ago and returns as the free safety. Vic Vines (185) is a two-letter junior who was a solid strong safety in 1980 as an alternate. Cedric Mack (185) returns to right corner, where he picked off four passes last year, and Preston Davis moves in at left corner.

If the defense jells, especially the linebacking corps, Baylor could be a solid contender once again.

SOUTHERN METHODIST

The Mustangs finally arrived in 1980, tying for second in the SWC and winding up 8-4 after a weird, last-second 46-45 Holiday Bowl loss to Brigham Young. They even made the top 20 in the polls. Now Ron Meyer faces life anew, and without the strong but unsung offensive line which helped him so much. That line graduated en masse, and replacements became the prime chore in the spring. On the brighter side, no replacements are needed at tailback or quarterback. Lance McIlhenny (185) stepped in at quarterback as a freshman, making his debut against Texas in the seventh game, and led the Ponies to victory in four of his five regular-season starts. He can rush just

1981 ALL-SOUTHWEST TEAM

OFFENSE			
Quarterback	Jay Jeffrey	SR	Baylor
Running Back	Craig James	JR	SMU
Running Back	Walter Abercrombie	SR	Baylor
Wide Receiver	Stanley Washington	JR	TCU
Wide Receiver	Peter Harvey	SR	N. Texas St.
Tight End	Robert Hubble	SR	Rice
Tackle	Terry Tausch	SR	Texas
Tackle	Maceo Fifer	JR	Houston
Guard	Mark Kirchner	JR	Baylor
Guard	Joe Shearin	SR	Texas
Center	David Bandy	SR	Texas A&M
DEFENSE			
End	Billy Ray Smith	JR	Arkansas
End	Charles Benson	JR	Baylor
Tackle	Kenneth Sims	SR	Texas
Tackle	Terry Monroe	SR	Houston
Tackle	Harvey Armstrong	SR	SMU
Linebacker	Doug Shankle	SR	Texas
Linebacker	Darrell Patterson	JR	TCU
Back	Vann McElroy	SR	Baylor
Back	Tate Randle	SR	Texas Tech
Back	Mike Hatchett	SR	Texas
Back	Greg Williams	SOPH	Texas A&M

enough, and pass just enough, to beat you. That can be sufficient with runners like Craig James (6-1, 210, 4.5 speed) and Eric Dickerson (6-3, 210, 4.5 speed), who share the tailback position in Meyer's I-formation. Last year James collected 896 yads, plus 225 in the bowl game. Dickerson ran for 928. Between them they totaled more than a mile. Charles Drayton and Michael Charles, both capable, will share duty at fullback.

The question is how rapidly will the line develop in front of that immense talent. Letterman reserves should get the first chance, with Steve Staniland (275) and Ricky Schulte (235) at the tackles, Joe Beard and Perry Hartnett (280) at guards, and Gordon McAdams the center. The depth is largely unproven.

When McIlhenny throws, 9.3 sprinter Mitch Bennett, veteran Gary Smith, and talented young tight end Ricky Bolden will be the targets, along with the ever-useful James.

If defense begins with a strong front, Meyer should be smiling. He has America's best shotputter, 275-pound Mike Carter, at noseguard, throwing around running backs as if they were iron balls. Harvey Armstrong (6-2, 255) was All-SWC last year at one tackle, and Richard Neely (6-5, 238) is a solid veteran at the other. Returnee Russell Washington and talented Eric Ferguson (245) are the ends, and there is depth with end Roy Douglas and tackle Kevin Chaney. Jared Moore (215) and Gary Moten (195) are the leaders among five letterman linebackers.

The biggest defensive loss was All-America cornerback John Simmons, who made the big play all season. Junior-college transfer Jackie Wilson (190) has the lead at one corner now, with sophomore Fred Nichols on the other side. There is more experience at the safeties, where Wes Hopkins (189) and James Mobley (185) are backed by Blane Smith, himself an outstanding veteran.



That's the Bears' Walter Abercrombie.

With SWC games closer and closer, one big edge for the Ponies is in their kicking game. Eddie Garcia set a school record last year with 11 field goals and has a string of 78 consecutive PAT's. Punter Eric Kaifes is one of the best in the land, with a 44.6-yard average and amazing consistency.

The Mustangs could be better than a year ago, if that offensive line jells. And they should be no worse whatever happens, with a raft of big-play backs and tough defenders.

ARKANSAS

Even coach Lou Holtz calls this year's Razorback team "questionable." The Hogs come off a season in which they went 6-5 (winning only three SWC games for a sixth-place finish) and then collected a win over Tulane in the Hall of Fame Bowl. Eleven starters are back, but so are some problems.

More of the problems seem to be on offense. For one thing, graduation took most of the offensive line and the first-line receivers. For another, the exciting running backs have yet to show durability.

Gary Anderson (6-1, 175) rushed for 561 yards last season, but missed most of the last four games. Anderson is a dazzling scatback and pass receiver (23 catches for 153 yards), whom Holtz needs in the lineup. Darryl Bowles (187) is in the same boat—excellent when healthy. James Tolbert (202) is also available, and also capable, as are Thomas Brown and David Haynes.

It would help to get a big year from quarterback Tom Jones (6-2, 184), who missed a few games himself but also hit 56 percent of his passes for 1,161 yards and showed some running ability in the Holtz veer. Bill Pierce returns as the No. 2 man. Derek Holloway (163) gets a starting chance at flanker, while Darryl Mason (224), an outstanding athlete, could be the split end. Mason was the No. 1 tight end last season and would be replaced there by veteran Steve Clyde (213) with support from Tom Christenbury (225). Daryal Pickett (244) is the only returning starter in the offensive line. He'll handle one guard position, with Thurman Shaw (245) at the other. Senior Ronnie Trusty (246) and red-shirt Alfred Mohammed (270) should be the top tackles, with Jay Bequette (255) the center.

Mustang mania: defensive stalwarts Harvey Armstrong (75) and Mike Carter (74) of SMU surround Hogs' ball-carrier.



Quarterback Lance McIlhenny (left) and tailback Eric Dickerson (right)

The defense is a rosier prospect, if only because more key starters are available. Billy Ray Smith, for instance. Smith (228 and fast) has been a standout interior lineman for two years. Now he moves to end in a redesigned multiple-defense scheme (thanks to new defensive coordinator Don Lindsey). At end Smith can expect more freedom, and Arkansas coaches foresee a Hugh Green-type role for him.

Big Ron Faurot (6-8, 248) will be at the other end, with Philip Boren (255) and Earl Buckingham (236) the top prospects at tackle and veteran Richard Richardson (246) at nose-guard. It is a mobile line.

Steve Douglas (217), Jeff Goff (203), and Teddy Morris (208) all have starting credentials at linebacker, and more experience is available in Calvin Shaw, Ed Jackson, and Bert Zinamon.

Cornerback Kim Dameron (162) is the only survivor from last year's secondary, and the defensive backfield goes into autumn as another question mark. Keith Burns (191) or Randy Wessinger will handle strong safety, and JC transfer Scott Chalene (184) shows promise at free safety. Danny Walters (189), a refugee from the offense, may become a starting corner.

Also gone are Arkansas' outstanding kickers of recent memory. For 1981 the placements may fall to freshman Steve Baaden, with red-shirt Bruce Lahay doing the punting.

TEXAS A&M

The Aggies were another disappointed group last year. Promising hopes were dashed by dismissals from the squad and an in-and-out offense which wound up under the direction of a third-team quarterback. Still, a 4-7 season (tied for sixth in the SWC) was salvaged somewhat by a strong finish, particularly by a victory over Texas.

Well, hullabaloo, here they come again, and if opponents are lulled by last season's A&M record, then the Aggies could be real surprises in the 1981 race. They own two strong ingredients for a salty team: an active defense and powerful running backs.

That defensive prowess begins with the ends in Tom Wilson's four-man line. Keith Baldwin (242) should be outstanding, almost up to the standard of 1979 A&M All-America Jacob Green. Paul Pender (237), on the other side, must fight off challenges from youngsters like Kenneth Reeves (240) and Scott Polk. New tackles had to be found in the spring, and Keith Guthrie (260), Fred Caldwell, and Kermit Foster (248) rose to the top.

There are good linebackers, two-deep. Bobby Strogen (233), Mike Little (203), and Will Wright (222) head into fall as the starters, but Jerry Bullitt (230), Greg Berry, and Thomas Graham (220) are on their heels.

Sophomore Greg Williams (186) may be outstanding at cornerback, paired with returning starter Dan Davis (174). Sophomore Jeff Fuller (200) and Chris Brown will be the safeties, although Jeff Farrar, if he comes back from a spring injury, will also figure in the picture.

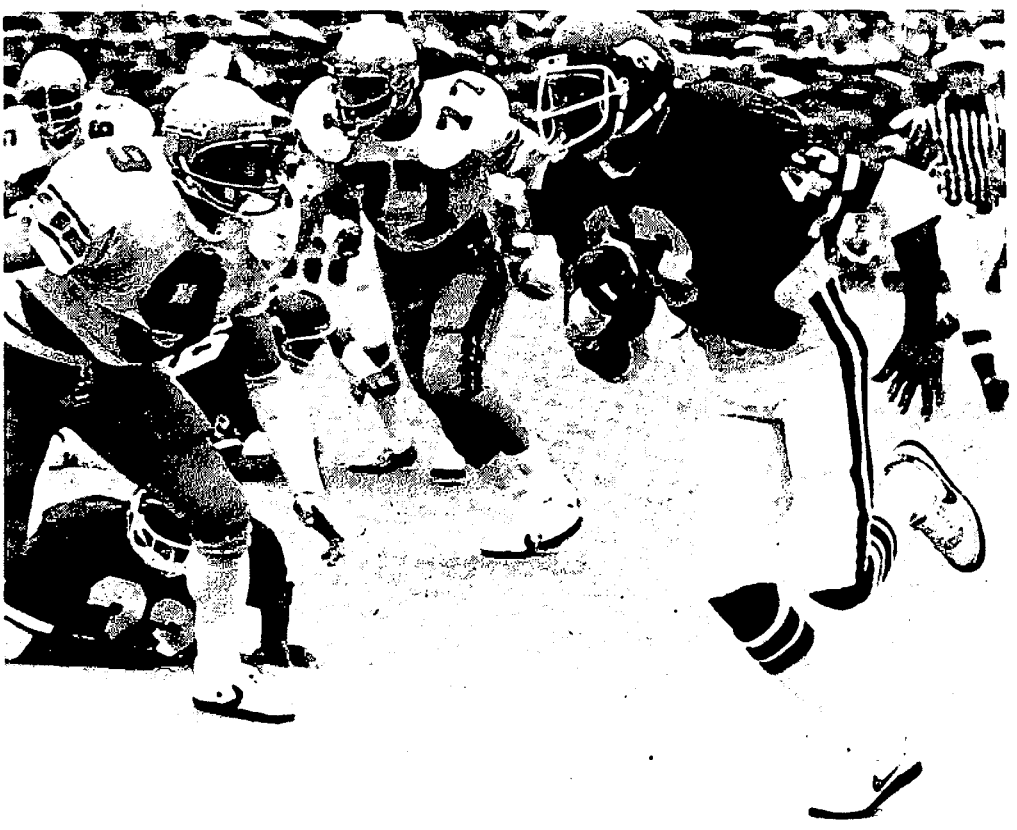
Wilson plans a more balanced offense, and one which will not make suicidal mistakes. But it is young in key areas. Quarterback Gary Kubiak (200) was pressed into emergency duty last year when he expected to be red-shirted. He hit only 37 percent of his passes, but he is a much better thrower than that and had a fine spring. He'll be backed up by sophomore John Elkins (200).

Mike Whitwell (171) is a steady veteran receiver (30 catches, 603 yards) and Billy Cannon Jr. (6-4, 200), son of a Heisman Trophy winner, is an exceptional talent on the other side. Mark Lewis (213) is a corner at tight end, one of the best of an outstanding sophomore class.

Johnny Hector (197) returns his talent to halfback, where he romped for 928 yards a year ago. He will be aided and abetted by senior fullback David Hill (206), with Thomas Sanders (194), Earnest Jackson (196), and Temple Aday also primed for action. In short, the skill positions combine ability and depth.

David Bandy (235) is touted as all-conference caliber at center, the only senior due to start in a capable offensive line. Flint Risien (246) returns at one guard, with sophomore Robby Beavers (244) at the other. Bryan Dausin (247) and soph Tommy Robison

Arkansas RB Gary Anderson was MVP of last year's Hall of Fame Bowl.



(268) man the tackles. Veteran guard John Osburn (261) will also be available.

On paper they look a year away, but the Aggies might be ready to challenge ahead of schedule.

TEXAS TECH

Spring bloomed in Lubbock with a new head coach, a new offense, a new defense, and some new faces in the lineup. What Jerry Moore (former Nebraska aide and North Texas head man) hopes is that all this can be parlayed into a solid fall, perhaps a better one than the 5-6 season of 1980.

Moore inherited 36 lettermen (14 starters) from the Rex Dockery regime. He gave everyone a fresh start and let the cream rise to the top. Some of those rising, not surprisingly, were very familiar names.

Ron Reeves, for instance, emerged as the quarterback. The husky 215-pounder passed for 1,461 yards last year in a Raider attack which was next-to-last in the SWC. He should profit from the switch from the veer to a Nebraska-I, which lets the passer drop back more.

Reeves also has excellent wide receivers in Renie Baker (40 catches, second in the conference) and speedster Jamie Harris (150). Tight end is open, however, with Curt Cole (226), Roderick Smith (235), and 24-year-old army veteran Rufus Johnson (6-5, 210) jockeying for position.

Big soph Jesse Kimbrough (210) or veteran Anthony Hutchinson (175) could wind up as the I-back, where Dale Brown, an injury victim a year ago, is also in the picture. Freddie Wells (205), who looked good late last season, or



Texas Tech boasts three of SWC's best (top to bottom): punter Maury Buford, quarterback Ron Reeves, and defensive lineman Gabriel Rivera.

1980's leading rusher, Wes Hightower (195), will be the fullback.

Despite a smattering of starting experience, the offensive line is still unproven. Vic White (228) returns at one tackle, with either David Joeckel (244) or Matt Harlien (270) at the other. George Smitherman (263), a starter two years ago, is back at guard and now a team leader. Kelly Grammer (255) is a well-tested veteran at the other guard, with either Denny Harris (235) or Jeff Crombie at center.

The biggest name, and biggest man, on defense is Gabriel Rivera (280), an outstandingly strong and mobile noseguard the last two seasons but now a tackle in the 4-3 alignment. Rivera is the only proven defensive lineman. The other tackle will be either transfer Hasson Arbubakrr (230) or squadmen Brad White or Ronald Byers. Jeff McCowan, heretofore an outside linebacker, stays on the flank as a defensive end. On the other side is Van Hughes (245), an excellent prospect who combines size and speed (4.7) but who was red-shirted in 1980. Stan Williams (220), Terry Baer (218), and Lewis Washington (218) form a trio of solid and experienced linebackers.

Free safety Tate Randle (195) is a candidate for honors in the secondary. The probable strong safety is talented, fast Norman Hill (200), a sophomore who was moved from running back. Greg Iseral brings experience to one corner, with part-time starter Ricky Sanders (170) or sophomore Clay Renfroe (180) at the other.

Lurking in the background is punter Maury Buford, a vital Tech weapon the last three

There are a lot of "ifs" in the Raider prospectus, including the adjustment to Moore's brand of offense and defense, but with luck Tech could be a dark horse.

RICE

Another of the miracles of 1980 in the SWC was Ray Alborn's magic trick of taking an 0-11 top hat and pulling a 5-6 Rice Owls football season out of it. Rice, to the uninitiated, tied for fourth in the conference with the Texas Longhorns, the Owls' best finish in years.

Now Alborn hopes there is something to this momentum business we hear about, because momentum is almost all that's left. Sixteen starters were among 25 graduating lettermen. Gone is the offensive backfield, most of the offensive line, and the entire starting secondary.

The retooling got a shot in the arm in the spring, partly from ten junior-college recruits and partly from 37 lettermen, but lack of experience remains a problem.

At quarterback, for instance, transfer Michael Calhoun (179 and fast) goes into autumn even with sophomore "veterans" Doug Johnson (210) and Phillip Money (20). Among them they have thrown five collegiate passes—four of those by Johnson. Junior Tim Sanders (5-8, 208) is the only proven running back. Cederick Johnson (1282) could start with him, or Weldon Meeks, or even a couple of highly touted freshman.

There is a seasoned receiver in Hosea Fortune (175) and an awesome tight end named Robert Hubble. Hubble (6-8, 250) has caught 70 passes the last two years. He also has lettered in basketball at Rice and he ran the high hurdles in high school. He even handles the Owl kickoffs.

Paul Garcia (255), a 1979 standout who was sidelined last year, has returned to bolster the line. He and returnee Kenneth Sam (266) are stout guards. Letterman Donny Martin (270) and transfer Dan Edling are the tackles, with another JC product, Doak Slay (235), at center.

Defensively, there is promise in the front five, especially in tackle Clenzie Pierson (6-7, 240) and end Brian Hill (232). Hill has been a sometime starter at tackle and noseguard, and has now moved to the flank. Reserves stepping up to fill lineup vacancies are tackle Kyle Rice (247) and noseguard Brad Beirstedt (242). Senior Marc Sequin is at the other end. Freshmen will move quickly into the depth picture but the first teamers are solid.

Dan Foster (210) returns at one linebacking spot, while Wayne Harpold (213) inherits the other. Lettermen Everett Todd (230) and Richard Gary (222) are also available.

The secondary is a question mark, with all starting savvy long gone. Junior-college transfer Brian Mica earned the safety job in the spring. Lettermen are available at the other spots. Nathan Beck (181) and Wayneard Nellums (184) could be the cornerbacks (Nellums shifting from linebacker) and Bernie Blaschke the monster back. Also available are JCer Jim Willard, squadman Brian Patterson, and ex-quarterback Scott Clements.

The shoring up may go on until midseason. While the Owls have good, young talent, they may find it difficult to fly as high as they soared last year.

TEXAS CHRISTIAN

Something always seems to interfere with F.A. Dry's plans for Horned Frog victories. Last year it was untimely missed field goals and a host of defensive injuries, and the result was a 1-10 record (with four losses by four points or less). TCU was close, but not quite there. Well, maybe *this* year.

There seems to be less wrong, and more right, with the Frogs this year. The good young players like receiver Stanley Washington and linebacker Darrell Patterson have grown up. And they have been reinforced by some promising newcomers.

Washington (165, and a seven-foot high jumper) was All-SWC a year ago as a sophomore, catching 34 passes for 601 yards. His 82-yard reception against Texas Tech provided for TCU's lone victory. He's merely the best of an outstanding receiving corps. Philip Epps (165) is a great all-the-way threat. Sophs Greg Arterberry (6-4, 195) and Daryl Brookins are ready to play.

Getting the ball to them will be senior Steve Stamp (195), who matured last year to pass for 1,830 yards and 14 TD's, including a 28-for-53, 408-yard day against Baylor. Good backup strength should come from Reuben Jones, Eddie Clark, and Kyle Clifton.

Kevin Haney (220) returns at fullback, and Marcus Gilbert (185), Russell Bates (195), and J.C. Morris (190) compete at halfback. But the running game must improve just to be visible (68.9 yards per game last season). Frosh Kenneth Davis may help.

Improvement is expected up front. Soph Mike Johnson (230) leads Bob Fields (235) and maybe freshman Ronzell Brewer at tight end. Transfer tackle Keith Hall (260) fits in with returnees Steve Wilson (250), Don Baker (260), Donald Ray Richard (260), and Mike Hartman (250) in the trenches.

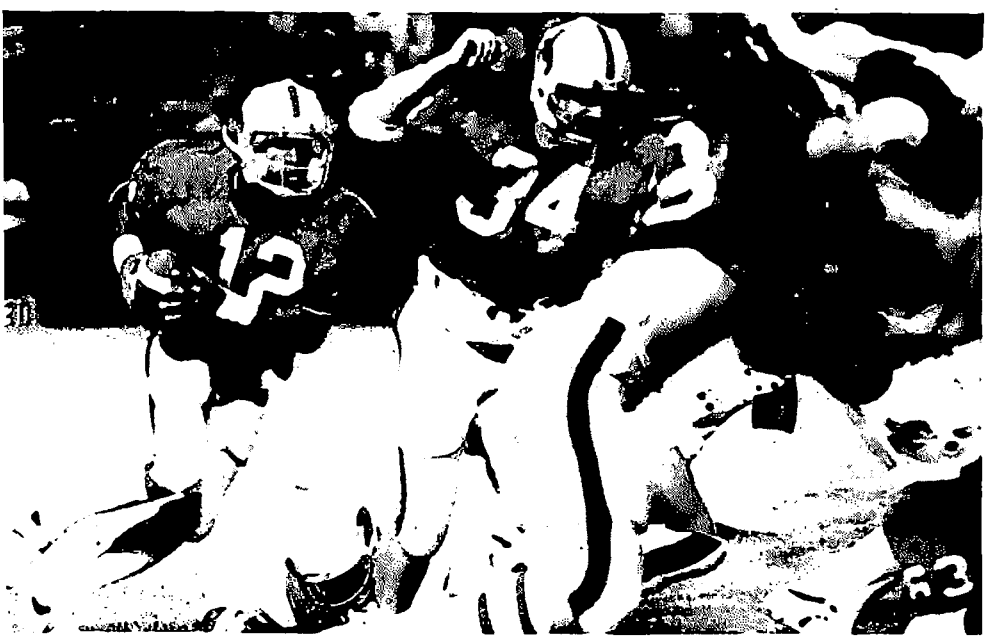
Junior-college talent (TCU signed ten JC players) should plug some defensive holes, too.

End Greg Townsend (6-4, 235) drew raves in the spring, and the coach's son, Mike Dry (218), is a steady hand at the other flank. The tackles will come from senior John McClean (240), ex-noseguard Garland Short (260), veteran Scott Williams, and promising new faces David Buller (247) and Chris Aldridge (265), with 270-pound transfer Derrick Thompson at noseguard.

Patterson (6-2, 225) was the team's leading tackler as a freshman and sophomore, despite injuries and some time spent at strong safety. He gets help this fall from transfer Joseph Hines (225), soph John Nichols (215), and rock-hard West Brooks (230).

A big improvement could be seen in the secondary, where the talent is now a year older and two-deep. John Preston (190), Allanda Smith (185), John Thomas (185), and Ken Bener (170) are the safety candidates. Swift transfer Anthony Allen (180) joins Thomas Bell (175),

McNeese State QB Steve Starring was named 1980 Southland Conference MVP.



Reginald Cottingham (180), and Joe Breedlove in competition at the corners.

Gone is outstanding punter Stan Talley, and Washington or James Gargus could take over. Tiny Greg Porter (145) will again do the kicking.

INDEPENDENTS

NORTH TEXAS STATE

Bob Tyler, who had winning ways at Mississippi State, takes over the Mean Green helm, inheriting a squad, which went 6-5 (with four losses to bowl-bound teams). There has been some juggling of returning talent (31 of last year's top 44 players), and North Texas should do as well or better this time around.

Tyler should build from a stout defense, especially if noseguard Tony Elliott (who missed spring training) returns to school. Elliott (250) would fit in with some outstanding personnel such as Greg Womble and Paul Nance. Charlie Young (6-6, 260) is at one defensive tackle, with transfer Darrin Straughan at the other. Nance is a solid veteran at right end, with Mack Faggett (192) a speedy performer at the other. A crew of six experienced linebackers is led by Zac Cypert (199), Louis Haynes (211), and Lester Harper (201).

Womble is the key in the secondary. The talented junior will start either at cornerback or strong safety. Chuck Crowsey (185) and Phil Broadus are other good corners, while Dale Moses (193) is a hard-hitting free safety.

Offensively, there will be a more noticeable change of style. Tyler plans to throw the ball, and has shifted his troops into a split-back set to get five receivers into the patterns. There is a battle at quarterback between letterman Rust Hill and squadman Greg Carter (5-10, 167), who was the aerial standout in the spring. An outstanding crop of receivers awaits the winner. Pete Harvey (170) caught 47 passes last year and returns at flanker. He's one of the best in the area. Veterans Marvin Walker and Tony Merriwether may alternate at split end, with Mark Witte (218) at tight end.

A rebuilt offensive line has Paul Schulze (255) and Zene Renfroe (250) at tackles, Richard Baxter (226) and Dan Reeder at guards, and returning starter Toby Bowen at center.

Lee English (204) is a solid fullback who rushed for 652 yards last year. He's backed by outstanding sophomore Buddy Nauls (190). At halfback big Bobby Daniels (221) is challenged by swift Carlen Charleston (156) and talented red-shirt freshman Doug Brady (195).

TEXAS LUTHERAN

Vernon Fewell takes over a Bulldog squad which has posted two straight 4-6 records, and his hopes for a stronger finish rest on an experienced offense.

The offensive strength begins with tight end Joe Little (215) and guard Jeff Yates (230). Joining them up front are ends Joe Lang (215) and Art Peterson (210), tackles Quincy Campbell (245) and Leif Larson (235), guard William Pitts, and center Paul Cromidas (215). Mike Cantu (190) is the quarterback in the option attack, with Darrell Brown (185) and Don Vorpahl (195) at running back and Bennie Kempf at flanker.

The secondary, led by veterans Alfred Gilmore (175), David Spott (170), and Hector DeLaGarza, is the heart of the defense. Experience is lacking up front in linemen Robert Pawelek (230), Peter Dunn (225), Frank Gips (230), and Mike McBride (220), although Mark Faldyn (215) is outstanding. Kirby Cline (195) and David Sablatura are the linebackers.

SOUTHLAND CONFERENCE

MCNEESE

The Cowboys went 10-1 (winning their second SLC title in a row) last year when they were rebuilding. Now they should be better than ever.

Offensively, darting quarterback Steve Starring (175) returns after running for 974 yards and passing for 1,006. He'll operate with rushers Theron McClendon (1,272 yards), Buford Jordan (766 yards), and James Galloway. Dwayne Dartez (190), Mike Kysar, and Carl Bates (220) are the receivers. Tackle Lonnie Collins (245) is the big name in a line which includes Troy Morris, guards Brett Martin and Scott Thomsen, and center Jody Carter.

Rusty Guilbeau (6-4, 250) returns with all-Louisiana credentials at defensive end and Leroy Gedward (230) is a veteran tackle. Cedrick Pattin (220) and Bill Hathaway (220) should flesh out the front four. Replacements at linebacker are Mark Smith (215), Carlos Trevino, and Richard Goerlich, while Robert Davenport joins returnees Bernard Bell (185), Leonard Smith (195), and Carlton Briscoe in the defensive backfield.

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LOUISIANA TECH

Last year the Bulldogs had a tendency either to win big or lose big en route to a 5-6 record in Billy Brewer's first year at the helm. Now nine returning starters give the offense authority, while some outstanding performers should improve the defense.

For sure, quarterback Matt Dunigan (175) can throw (149 completions, 1,939 yards) and Earl Greer (190) can run. Steve Hartley returns at running back, while Leland Padgett and Freddie Brown are proven pass catchers. Steve Treadaway (235) stands out in a veteran offensive line which lists Chris Marler (235) at the other tackle, Tuck Bassett (240) and Scott Maxfield at guard, and Leonard McAngus at center.

Andre Young (190, 4.4 speed) was all-conference at end two years ago and at linebacker last year. Now he'll try strong safety in a defense that has swift Ed Jackson (220) and Trey Junkin at ends, Mike Nickel and Scott McCullough (230) at tackle, Joey Pender at guard, and Toris Lewis and Roderic Arterberry at linebacker. Kenny Sims, Earl Thaxton, and Lyn Bankston return to the secondary.

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA

Only nine returning starters are in Sam Robertson's cupboard, and to match last year's 7-4 record the Cajuns must grow up in a hurry.

The defense is especially inexperienced, though all-conference end Andy Martin (5-9, 200) lends maturity. Marcus Wright is on the other end, with Kent Head (230), Ronnie Mahtook (240), and Pat Boudreaux the best of the green interior linemen. Lettermen Rob Faligene (205) and Jim Talkington (210) move up as starting linebackers. Cornerback Mack Scott (185) leads a secondary of Mike Dupre, Cooter Mansur (205), and David Pinkston.

The offense gets a boost from veteran linemen like tackle Gerald Broussard (252), Keith Hall (225), Steve Jackson, and All Southland center Dennis Peoples (220). Craig Wood and Mark Hernandez also may fit in. Doug Waddell (180) and Kevin Segui are fine receivers, but new quarterback Dwight Prudhomme (6-4, 200) threw just 24 passes last year. David Chatam (393 yards in 1980) and David Foret (210) will be the running backs.

TEXAS-ARLINGTON

Last year the Mavericks slumped from 9-2 to a 3-8 record (all three victories were in conference play), and now begins the bumpy road back for Bud Elliott's crew.

One big problem was defense, which allowed 341 points a year ago. The rebuilding there will be tied to excellent linebackers Mark Kitchin (210) and Mike Brooks (215), who are joined by either Keith Hankins or Brent Hargrove. End John Wade (229) and tackle Keith Pressley return, while Tim Alders, Brad Mohon (240), and Donald White (250) bid for line jobs. Mike Triplett (180), Ricky Pratt, Miguel Fuller (195), and Melvin Ikner or Tracy Bullard man the secondary.

There is more experience on offense, while quarterback Scott Logan (185) has excellent targets in sprinter Gilbert Smith, Don DeLeo, and Byron Williams. Anthony Price (240) and Randy Johnson (200) are big runners in the I-formation. Across the front are Darryl Lewis or Ben Young at tight end, Bruce Collie (270) and Roy Hinojosa (250) at tackles, Danny Stout (230) and Mike Shannon at guard, and Mark Cannon at center.

ARKANSAS STATE

Larry Lacewell says he felt like a kindergarten teacher last year, when the Indians had only three seniors. As a result, he now has 48 lettermen, from a 2-9 team.

A lot of offensive improvement is needed from 11—count 'em, 11—returning starters. Tim Langford will the the quarterback, with good runners in Lee Charles Wright, Erven Beasley, and Maurice Carthon. Curtis Clay and Melvin Taylor are the wide-outs, with Jerry Mack (205) at tight end. The line is large, bolstered by tackles Paul Gilbow (255) and Derrick Griffin (250), guards Ken Armbrust (250) and Tommy Walker (235), and three-year starter John McCaughey (235) at center.

The front wall could be outstanding on defense, with solid performers in end Vic Montgomery (210), tackles Steve Olliges (245) and Kevin Dunn (225), and middle guard Thomas Johnson (235). Inside linebackers Mike Morris (200) and Donnie Morrison (205) each had over 100 tackles last year. The secondary will be shaped around Tim Allison (195), who led the SLC in interceptions, and cornerback Henry Harris (180).

LAMAR

The Cardinals have just nine returning starters, but a lot of good young talent, and they could be vastly improved over last year's 3-8 record.

There is excellent passing, with Ray Campbell (1,491 yards a year ago) or Jerry Deller at quarterback, and veteran receivers in Jesse Cavil (156), Herbert Harris (191), and tight end Chris Killgore (213). Ben Booker, the leading rusher, returns, as do fullback Tim Johnson (192) and flashy Floyd Dorsey (187). There's a rebuilt offensive line, with Chris Thompson and Juan Taylor (246) likely starters at tackle, Arnold Wade (229) and Elton Senegal (259) at guard, and Kevin Holden at center.

Jimmy White (239) should anchor the defensive front at noseguard. Marvin Boatman and Dennis Williams (265) or Earl Rawls (260) will handle the tackles while Terry Williams and Jackie Harris return at the ends. Charles Broussard (208) and junior-college transfer Larry McCoy (235) will be the linebackers. Darryl Smith (ten interceptions in 1980) is the star of a secondary which includes Aaron Hill, James Price, and Larry Hill.

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Norris Powell (100 tackles last year), at linebacker, leads an experienced defense. Mike Bailiff (210) and Anthony Boyd (222) are active ends. Mike Langford roams enemy backfields from tackle, paired with Rick Sowell (255),

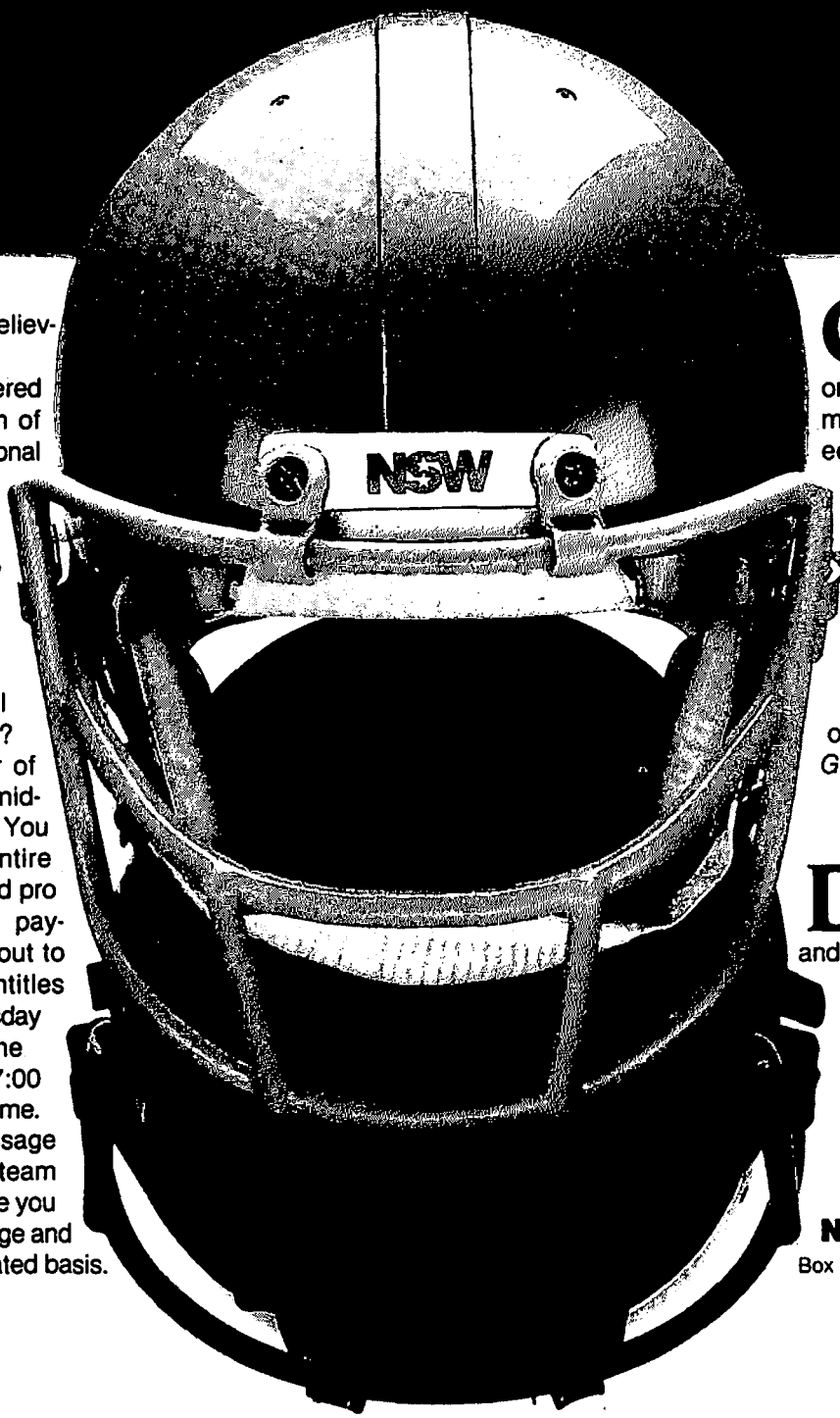




Quarterbacks Scott Logan of Texas-Arlington (top) and Mike Miller of Southwest Texas State (bottom)

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and Joey Korzekwa takes over at noseguard. Cyril Friday is a veteran linebacker, and Bobby Watkins (191) is the leading light in the secondary, where Ken Coffee, Albert Purdy, and Billy Hall should start.

ANGELO STATE

Jim Hess has a .712 winning percentage in seven seasons at Angelo, and 1981 should do nothing to lower it. His Rams were 8-2-1 last year (second place) and will challenge again.

Quarterback Doug Kuhlmann (185) passed for 1,533 yards a year ago, but Angelo also has running power. Anthony Johnson (185) gained 1,003 yards last year, fullback Jerry James got 521. In front of them is a strong line headed by standout guard Kevin Steen (255) and excellent tackle Shawn Hollingsworth (255). Lawrence Berry, Lynn Carter (250), and James Timms fill out the wall, with Dennis Green at tight end and Michael Elarms and Joey Sims the wide receivers.

There is more rebuilding on defense, where only five starters return. One of them, though, is linebacker Clayton Weishuhn (215), two-time NAIA All-America and Lone Star Defensive player of the year. The other backers are Jennings Teel (225) and Keith Cox (220). Leonard Anderson is an outstanding end, and Melivn Dyson, Brian McLaughlin, and Eddie Gill complete the front four. Dean Nixon (185) is the best in a secondary that includes Victor Jackson, Glenn Saterfield, and Kevin Alexander.

TEXAS A&I

The Javelinas are seldom down, and if their defensive line can be rebuilt they could match or improve upon last year's 7-4 record and third-place Lone Star finish.

The rest of the defense is secure. NAIA All-America Durwood Roquemore (ten interceptions last year) heads a solid secondary of Darrell Green, Emmuel Thompson, and Simon Johnson. Joe Barefield (200) is an outstanding linebacker, joined there by Justin Price (230) and Allyn Chizer. But tackle Dereck Hillyer (215) and end Gerald Allen are the only veterans up front, where David Mims and Kent Bednarski move in.

Offensively, nine starters return, but quarterback is a battle among returnee Randy Cretors, red-shirt Chris Soza, and transfer Mark James (200). Marcus Bonner (170) and Ben Dykes (190) are again the top running backs, while Larry James (185) and Steve Fuller are able receivers. Ned Butler is at tight end. Tackle to tackle, the Javelinas line up with Royce Nitschmann (240), David Gonzales, Bart Kaiser, Loyd Lewis, and Tracy Payne. (270).

S.F. AUSTIN

Coming off a five-victory season, coach Charlie Simmons has the makings of a first-division team, especially if the defensive newcomers come through.

Dale Horton (177) returns at quarterback, where he started the last half of the 1980 season, and he has some good people with him. Receivers Carl Mitchell (200) and Duan Hanks are capable, as are running backs Charlie Smith (181) and Jim Kegler. Across the front are tight end Rex Dorman, tackles Ruben Saenz (248) and Jess Golightly (245), guards Chris Stewart and Jimmy Jones (236), and standout center Myron Anderson (219)

There is less experience on defense, especially in the secondary, where Barry Ford and Leo LeBlanc should open at the corners, with Larry Thompson and Kevin Jackson at safeties. Lester Melontree (211), Clarence Glass (267), Ben Watts (244), and Mike Granger (228) are in the front four, with Chris Majeka (215), Steve Snyder (208), and Darrell Worden at linebacker.

EAST TEXAS STATE

Although fourth in their conference, the Lions last year wound up ranked third in the NAIA and in the playoffs, en route to an 8-3-1 record. But they lost quarterback Wade Wilson, and it may be hard to match those exploits.

It's up to Kyle Mackey (200) to fill Wilson's shoes, and he does have excellent running backs in Cary Noiel (200) and Ted Sample (200), plus top receivers Randy Smith, Ron Trammell (193), and Vic Combs (195). Smith caught nine TD passes a year ago, while Noiel rushed for 1,110 yards. Up front are Bobby Wolfe (215), Ralph Oberdieck (248), Denny Hagan, Ebbie Watson, and Blake Cooper.

The defense could be adequate if David Lowe, Gary Matthews, John Barnard (246), and Tommy Taylor come through in the line. Returnees Anthony Brock and Kevin Rush (215) are joined by youngster Darwin Johnson at linebacker. Darren Smith (175) and Ben Boston, veteran secondary workers, will team with Anthony Lauro and John Carter.

ABILENE CHRISTIAN

Last year a young Wildcat team struggled to a 2-8 record, but Ted Sitton returns 36 lettermen (15 of them starters) with high hopes of a better outcome.

The defense may lead the way, behind stout linebackers like Jim Tuttle (195), Mike Funderburg (220), and Billy Stiggers. Richard Flores (230) is a solid tackle, and Greg Adams and Scot Goen (6-4, 226) are other able veterans in the line. Vince Ford and Vin Smith return to the secondary, where talented youngsters like Mark Jackson and Brian Beaty are available.

A good running attack shapes up, with LSC freshman-of-the-year Willie Kerley (190) and fullback Larry Henderson carrying the mail. Returnees Baylor Brown (185) and Kelly West may get a quarterback challenge from rookie Lanny Dycus. Roscoe Mason (200) moves from safety to wide receiver, where only Quinton Smith has any experience. Center Grant Feasel (235), tackle Kris Hansen (240), and guards Joe Hardin (235) and Scott McCall (218) are veterans.

SAM HOUSTON STATE

Melvin Brown can tap 18 starters back from last year's 3-7 team, but his most important player might be 1979 starter Tony January, injured all but six plays last season.

A healthy Janauary could mean improvement. Two years ago he ran, caught passes, and returned kicks worth 1,817 yards. Now he joins a backfield brigade of quarterback Binky Ford (986 yards as a freshman) and runners Anthony Scott (195) and Parnell Lykes. A large line is in front of them, with Danny Rosales, Russell Belcher, Mark Garney, and diesel-burning tackles Todd Smith (260) and Mario Rangel (260). Randy Stewart (220), Tim Kroon, and Thomas Dickerson are the receivers.

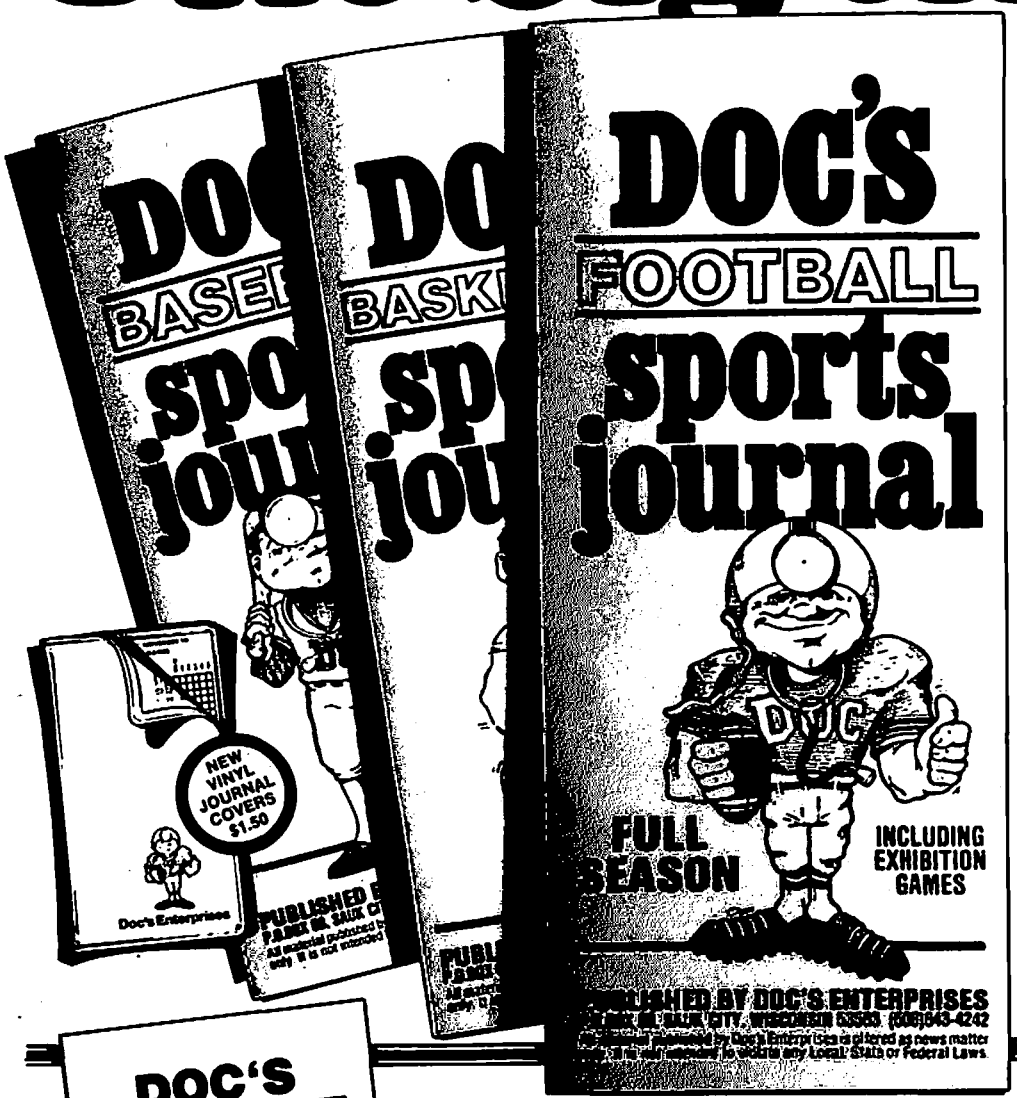
The defense gets a boost from transfer linebackers Cal Peveto (220) and Kenny Ingram (210), who'll team with Mike McClellan (225). Across the front are ends Roy Kruemcke (220) and Rob Winship (220) and tackles Carl Bellotti (250) and Darcie Clark (255). Bobby Coleman, James Shipley (205), Albert Sneed, and Nick Galli patrol the secondary.





Angelo State features quarterback Doug Kuhlmann (top left), tailback Anthony Johnson (top right), and linebacker Clayton Weishuhn (above).

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HOWARD PAYNE

Speed and experience might reap improvement over last year's 1-8-1 record, as 16 key starters return to Harold Mayo's corral.

Some of them aren't in the same spots they were in a year ago. Leading rusher Levi Morrison moves to linebacker, where he teams with Robert Morrison (260). In front of them are end Reggie Smith, tackle Bob Gusentine (240), and guard Huris Simien (250), plus end Morris Anderson (250) and tackle Kevin Dicks (235). Eric Howard (180) and Mike Mitchell (180) are the secondary leaders.

New quarterback Ricky Shields has excellent targets in tight end Kevin Taylor (210), split end Charles Doolittle, and flanker Larry Diles. Jeff Fisher (180) and Carl Cooper (205) will handle the running. Guard Gary Gibson (285) lends size to a line which includes Howard Stovall (250), Mike Rhodes (245), Danny Valdez (215), and Mark Thompson (215).







Marcus Bonner (top left) provides the offense and Durwood Roquemore (top right) the defense for Texas A&I; QB Larry Hill (above) threw 16 TD passes for Sul Ross.

TEXAS INTERCOLLEGIATE

MCMURRY

If the Indians are to repeat as TIAA champions (9-2 a year ago), they must replace ten departed starters.

The offense should be solid, with Dudley Woodard (182) and Lester Lavalais (190) at running back and Ricky Sells (183) at quarterback. Randy Tarrant (155), Brad Woods, and Sam Whalin (205) are the receivers. There is strength in the line, with Stan Carter (226) and Roy Dudgeon (243) at tackle, Luke Taylor (242) at center, and Mark Wilcoxson (235) and either Mike Wilde (245) or Danny Doyen (225) at guard.

Across the front of the defense are veteran Armando Morales (217) and Bill Coleman at the flanks, Troy Hibler (242) and Brian Mirau at tackles, and Mark Alexander (245) at noseguard. Richard Olson and Gary McAdams back up the line, with Darrell Williams (195), Rocky Cozart (150), David Spencer (160), and Richard Spencer (160) the top defensive backs.

AUSTIN COLLEGE

The Kangaroos require some rebuilding from an 8-2 season, but the quality is there for another title challenge.

Larry Shillings (175) passed for 1,750 yards last year and has all-conference receiver Rory Dukes (165) on hand. Rickey Turner (185) and David Simmons are the runners, with Clay Oliphant and Russ Roden at ends, David Adams and Dan Kern (240) at tackle, Don Parnell and Ramon Torres at guard, and Eddue Shuttlesworth at center.

Chris Luper brings All-America credentials to the secondary, joined by David Norman (180), Darrell Belcher, and Jeff Julian. The defense relies on quickness, with Kevin Woodrow and Jeff Robbins the linebackers and a front line built from Randy Sims (200), Steve Moreland (170), Don Tafelski, Larry Hickman (205), Jeff Broyles (210), Rex Baker (215), and all-conference middle guard Mark Sartain (180).

SUL ROSS

Third last year (6-4), the Lobos are ready for a title if they can get there through the air.

Quarterback Larry Hill (180) threw for 1,700 yards and 16 touchdowns a year ago, and still has Hoover Thompson (44 receptions for 669 yards) as a target, along with Rhonnie Lester and flanker Greg Beavers. Joey Caceres and Andrew Hill (210) will contribute running power. Center Joe Alex Leal and guard Albert Garcia (220) are tops in a line which includes Joel Bellinger, Jaime Leal, and Balde Garza.

The defense has less experience, but linebackers David Sanchez (220) and Don Bandy are excellent, teaming with Rene Cortinas and Mark Pavlosky. The down linemen are noseguard Rudy Cantu and tackles Billy Tilton (238) and Johnny Creek. Cornerback Henry Paige (five interceptions) heads a secondary that also includes Malcom Moerbe, Charlie Nelson, and Bobby Clark.

TARLETON STATE

Disciplinary problems caused the Texans to slump to 3-7 last year, and now only six starters return to Buddy Fornes's camp.

Running back Ricky Bush (185) is a proven talent who rushed for 984 yards last season. He'll be paired with Ricky Elliott, while transfer Bill Bayless (185) adds some passing potential at quarterback. Darrell Piske and Floyd Beasley are letterman ends. Tackle Tony Martinez (225) stands out among Tom Ratliff (235), Jeff Litherland, Keith Olson, and Grey Gilbert in the forward wall.

Linebacker Larry Fowler (220) and tackle Steve Watson (220) are the only returning starters on defense. Tackle Steve Kennedy and transfer ends Tony Dominik and Charles King fill out the front four, with Jimbo Hughes (220) and Tom Saunders likely linebackers. Lance Trinque (180) and sophs Adrian Lewis, Kevin Pope, and Gilbert Luna man the secondary.

TRINITY

Defensive rebuilding is the order of the day for Gene Norris as he tries to lead Trinity back to the top of the TIAA.

Proven hands like linebacker Richard Williams, defensive back Greg Drennen, and tackles Mark Ihle (240) and Wilson Day must get help from young talent like Carl Weisner (265) or Mike McMahan (215) up front and Pete Broderick at linebacker.

On offense the picture is rosier. Sophomore Brian Rosenbloom showed last year that he could move the team and returns at quarterback. All-conference Kenny Sykes (185) and fullback Allen Rousseau (195) are excellent runners. Rich Nicholson is an all-conference receiver. Tom Fleener (225), David Burris (230), Steve Olfers, and David Hosack are experienced linemen.

LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN

Don Carthel takes over an 0-10 team at LCC, but with high hopes of rising from last place.

His defense is anchored by tackle Kevin Brown (290), linebacker Pat Randolph (175), and defensive back Keith Johnson (165). Ernest Johnson, Donny Lauderback, and Neil Sayles (225) are other good linemen, while Mike Chatham (220), Adrian Farias (210), and Grant Manis add linebacking power. Greg Pippin, Dennis Price, and Mike Richie fill out the secondary.

Offensively, tailback Terry Drake is solid, aided by Brad Ehlen and fullback Ted Thornton. Kevin Johnson is the quarterback, with Daryl Cash, Phil Autry (195), and Robert Powell the top receivers. There is size in the trenches with tackles Guyle Roberson (290) and Robert Durone (250), guards Steve Lincoln (225) and Craig Maxell, and center Mike Samples (225).

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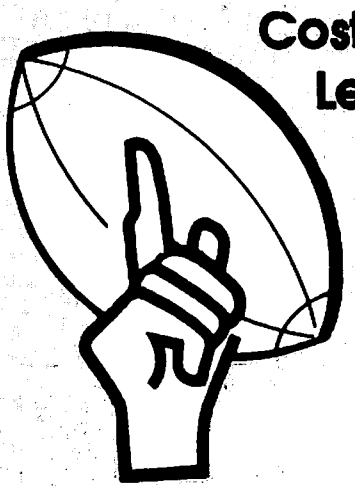
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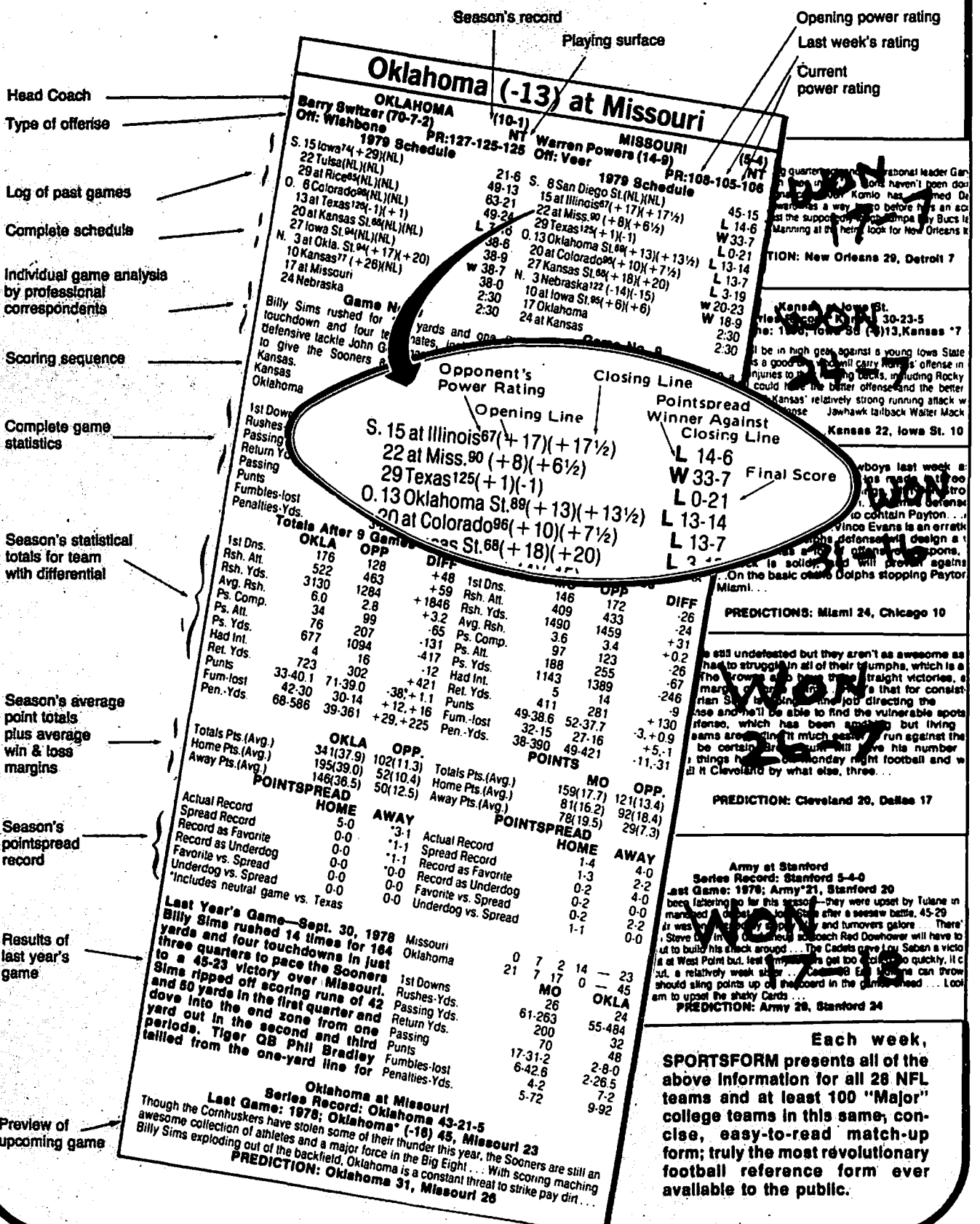
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The late Jock Sutherland hitched up a "Dream Backfield" that carried the Pitt Panthers to the Rose Bowl championship in the mid-1930's. But the way the NFL drafted 11 of Jackie Sherrill's finest on the very first day back in April, it was obvious that the Jungle Cats did, indeed, have a "Golden Eleven" in 1980.

The fact that the 11-1 Pitts just barely missed No. 1 and the national championship, which rightfully was captured by undefeated and untied Georgia, made little difference, for the message was loud and clear: Pitt, the Eastern standard-bearer, was stocked with some of the finest football talent in the land—a glowing tribute to this Northeastern sector that began all of this "fall madness" 112 Novembers ago.

Yes, the Panthers repeated as Eastern king and Lambert Trophy winner, but there were other triumphant chords struck as well. Penn State, just nipped by the Pitts, rebounded with vigor en route to a 10-2 campaign and Fiesta Bowl win over Ohio State. Yale repeated as the Ivy champs, while Boston U. finally surprised and battled its way to its initial Yankee Conference title.

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Thanks to new stadiums at Syracuse and West Virginia, plus another addition at Penn State, the dear old East posted more than 80 percent of the national gain at the gate, too, proof positive that the vital grid signs in the East are still all go. More of the same type of slam-bang action is looked for again this autumn, though the crystal ball sees a narrowing gap between the top and the bottom, suggesting that there's more balance being established on all levels. That spells more thrills and surprises, for "On any given Saturday, the meek could inherit the gridiron."

Despite wholesale losses, Pitt still figures to be the team to beat, for Sherrill still has a good share of his explosive offense back, including such big-play skilled people as triggerman Dan Marino and Dwight (sure-catch) Collins.

Syracuse returns Joe Morris for his senior season. He is the leading active career rusher in the nation with 3,105 yards. Always-strong Penn State, adding Notre Dame and Alabama to its toughened slate, is ready to challenge all comers with a seasoned attack that will feature speedster Curt Warner, QB Todd Blackledge, and receiver Kenny Jackson. Rugged defensive end Larry Kubin, hurt last fall, takes a red-shirt to board up the defense.

Yale, featuring tailback Rich Diana and QB John Rogan, once again looks like the Ivy team to beat in a typical Ivy scramble. Ditto in the Yankee Conference, where Connecticut and Massachusetts, which just missed last fall, are both taking dead aim at defending champ Boston U.

Unlike in recent years, there was a wave of coaching shifts in the East, as Dick MacPherson (ex-UMass chief and Cleveland Browns aide) replaced Frank Maloney at Syracuse. Jack Bicknell left Maine to take over at Boston College, while the Eagles' traditional foe, Holy Cross, hired Rick Carter from Dayton after he led the Flyers to the NCAA division-III crown. Jerry Berndt from DePauw is the new boss at Penn, while Ron Rogerson now heads up Maine, and Wagner's Bill Russo has the assignment to revive once-proud Lafayette.

On a sadder note, the Villanova Wildcats, after 87 years of sponsoring a prestigious football program, decided to give up the sport. It was a blow to intercollegiate football's ego, but it was also a flashing signal to all other athletic administrators during these times of galloping inflation. Meanwhile, the rest of the East is looking forward to another resounding season, filled with wave after wave of Saturday shocks and suspense.

INDEPENDENTS

PITTSBURGH

The Avis of the 1980 college grid campaign—the Pitt Panthers—just might have been in the throne room had not a bad case of turnovers infected their usually solid ball-handling at Florida State. But coach Jackie Sherrill regards that as ancient history, and he's more intent now than ever to steer this year's Jungle Cats all the way. To accomplish an 11-0 season after dropping only one last fall, Sherrill faces the unenviable task of replacing 27 monogram winners, including 15 starters—many of the celebrated variety, such as Hugh Green, Mark May, Randy McMillan, et al.

"We'll be relying on a lot of young people," says Sherrill.

Sherrill's biggest challenge will come on defense. Only ace linebacker Sal Sunseri and part-time starter Tom Flynn return. Still, Sherrill feels that the interior defensive line will be solid. Battling for tackle spots will be Phil Puzzuoli and John Hendrick, with sophs Bill Maas, Rosie Reede, and Ron Killen. J.C. Pelusi or Tim Quense will vie for the noseguard role. The ends will be junior-college transfer Art Lowery, Tom Johnson, or Mike Woods. Flynn started the last six games in the secondary. Teaming with him will be Pappy Thomas and Tim Lewis or Troy Hill. Pat McQuaide or Dan Short will work at strong safety.

Pitt's offensive line, usually a source of concern, now looks loaded. Emil Boures is an All-America candidate at guard. He's a 6-2, 266 senior. Tackle Jimbo Covert is not far behind Boures. Rob Fada returns at the other guard, with Ron Sams and Paul Dunn in reserve. John Murray (a transfer) or Greg Christy will be Covert's running mate. Jim Sweeney, Terry Quirin, or Tony Magnelli will snap the ball.

Directing the Panther offense will be triggerman Dan Marino. The junior has started only 11 games, but already he's third on Pitt's all-time passing list with 3,289 yards. He had knee problems last fall, but offseason surgery has made Marino as good as new. His main target will be fleet Dwight Collins, who caught 30 passes last fall as a frosh, including ten TD's. Marino to Collins could be one of the top batteries in the land. Others who'll catch are Julius Dawkins, Keith Williams, John Brown, Jeff Casper, and Dennis Ballard: no shortage of good hands.

The situation at running back looks healthy, with Joe McCall returning at tailback and Wayne DiBartola supplying experience at fullback. Bryan Thomas, Rick Asberry, and Marc Bailey can also tote the pigskin.

Dave Hepler is back to handle the punting, but Sherrill does need a place-kicker to take over for the departed Dave Trout.

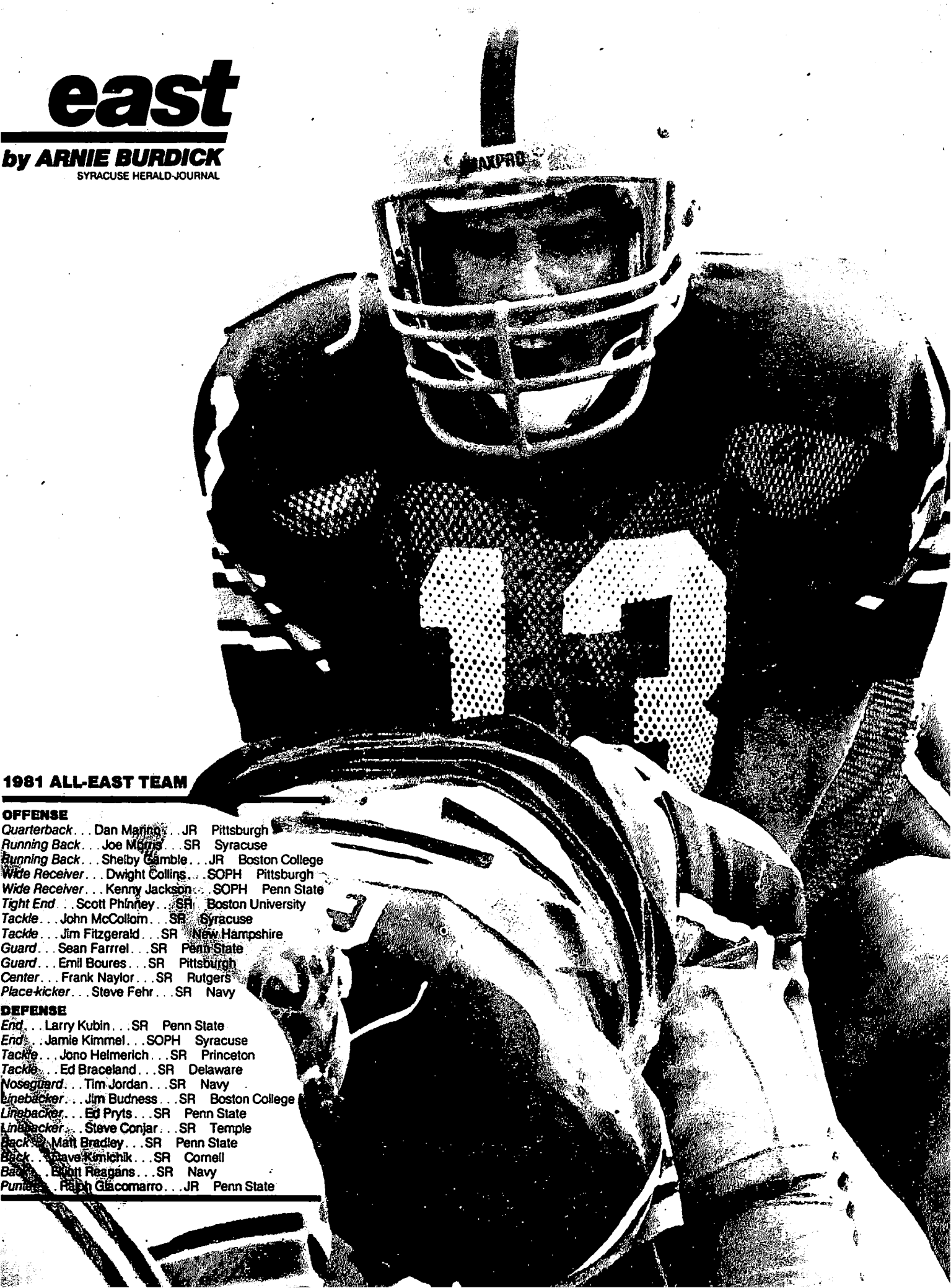
The Panthers of 1981 may not be as awesome as their predecessors, but there's still an immense amount of talent on hand. Nine wins seems well within their grasp, and if Sherrill can get it going early, this could be the year the Pitts go all the way.



East's best: Syracuse All-America RB Joe Morris (right) and Pittsburgh QB Dan Marino (opposite page)

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1981 ALL-EAST TEAM

OFFENSE

Quarterback...Dan Marino...JR Pittsburgh
Running Back...Joe Morris...SR Syracuse
Running Back...Shelby Gamble...JR Boston College
Wide Receiver...Dwight Collins...SOPH Pittsburgh
Wide Receiver...Kenny Jackson...SOPH Penn State
Tight End...Scott Phinney...SR Boston University
Tackle...John McCollom...SR Syracuse
Tackle...Jim Fitzgerald...SR New Hampshire
Guard...Sean Farrrel...SR Penn State
Guard...Emil Boures...SR Pittsburgh
Center...Frank Naylor...SR Rutgers
Place-kicker...Steve Fehr...SR Navy

DEFENSE

End...Larry Kubin...SR Penn State
End...Jamie Kimmel...SOPH Syracuse
Tackle...Jono Helmerich...SR Princeton
Tackle...Ed Braceland...SR Delaware
Noseguard...Tim Jordan...SR Navy
Linebacker...Jim Budness...SR Boston College
Linebacker...Ed Pryts...SR Penn State
Linebacker...Steve Conjar...SR Temple
Back...Matt Bradley...SR Penn State
Back...Dave Kimichik...SR Cornell
Back...Elliott Reagans...SR Navy
Punter...Ralph Giacomarro...JR Penn State







Pitt Panthers: offensive guard Emil Boures (below left), flanker Dwight Collins (above), safety Tom Flynn (above right), and wide receiver/ return specialist Julius Dawkins are standouts in Eastern area.



PENN STATE

Winning seasons and bowl teams continue to be synonymous with Penn State and Joe Paterno, and last year was no different. After only modest success the previous fall, the Lions rebounded with vigor (10-2), and came within a whisker of upsetting Pitt for the mythical Eastern crown.

There's plenty of good timber left (40 lettermen) in Paterno's current stockpile, with the offense looking a bit more stable than the "D" at this point. However, there are some proven stars returning to defend the Nittany Lions' honor, including end Rich D'Amico, linebackers Chet Parlavecchio and Ed Pryts, rover Matt Bradley, and halfback Paul Lankford. All started, as did Giuseppe Harris, in some games in the secondary. "We have as strong a secondary as we've ever had," admits the veteran Lion mentor.

Up front is where Joe's likely to get tested, especially this fall, with such perennial top ten powers as Notre Dame, Alabama, Nebraska, and Pitt on the agenda. Walker Lee Ashley could team with D'Amico, with awesome Larry Kubin slated to return after taking a year off. The tackles could be manned by Leo Wisniewski, Joe Hines, or Greg Gattuso. Jeff Bergstrom may work out as the noseguard.

"We have some outstanding skill-position people on the offense," Paterno feels. "Our wide-outs and running backs should be strong, and our offensive line has a lot of potential."

Sean Farrell is as good an offensive guard as there is in the country, says Joe, and Mike Munchak is not too far behind. Tackle Dave Laube is tough. Others who'll log playing time up front are Bill Contz, Jim Funk, Mark Battaglia, Pete Speros, and Scott Carraher. Vyto Kab is an outstanding tight end while Kenny Jackson is a sensational wide-out and kick returner. He made 21 catches for 386 yards and five TD's in just his frosh year.

Curt Warner returns to do the bulk of the ball-carrying. He rushed for 922 yards and made several big kick returns, too. Todd Blackledge, who came on strong late in the year, will again direct the attack. He completed 47.8 percent of his darts for 1,037 yards. Mike Meade, Joel Coles, and Jonathan Williams all return to help Warner with the running.

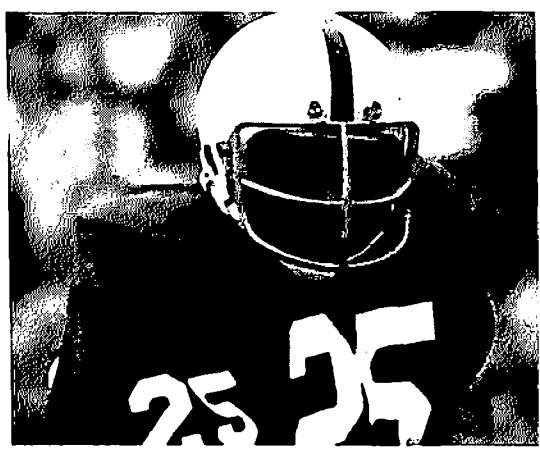
The kicking game should be solid again. Ralph Giacomarro returns for his third year of punting. He's averaged 43.3, while Brian Franco has the potential to be a fine place-kicker.

Overall, look for another fine team at State, with extra challenges on the schedule offering an opportunity at a super year. But first that defensive line must come around.

NAVY

George Welsh, beginning his ninth season at Crabtown, likes his 1981 defense. That's significant, for the Garden State Bowlers of last fall's 8-2 aggregation were ranked sixth in the nation in "D."

"There's no doubt about it," he summed up in



spring practice. "This could be an outstanding defensive football team. They have the talent and are intense." Meanwhile, the offensive line is pockmarked with questions. Middle guard Tim Jordan keys the defense. He could be an All-America. Travis Wallington and Mike Rouser are back at the flanks, and they're tough. Ken Fancher and Doug Donatelli offer depth. Junior tackle Paul Soares and Chris Garner have experience at the tackles. Mike Crum is another senior letter-winner.

At linebacker, Welsh has some gaps, but Andy Ponseigo returns as one starter. He'll get help from Ken Olson, Tom Fitzpatrick, Chuck Bresnahan, and Carl Wagner. The deep secondary returns intact. Jon Ross, Elliott Reagans, and Jeff Shoemake make up a solid corps. They picked off 11 passes last fall. John Foley and Brian Cianella offer depth.

Place-kicker Steve Fehr returns to give the Middies the three-point threat. He hit 17 of 23 FG's last fall. But Welsh is looking for a punter.

Offensively, the line is Welsh's chief concern. He feels that junior Tom Tarquino picked up enough late-season experience to do the job at QB. The running backs are solid, with senior Eddie Myers back again at tailback. He's stumpy (5-9, 205) and hard to knock off his feet. He's already fifth in career rushing at the Academy. Andy Skehan may be the fullback.

The wide receivers are led by senior Greg Papajohn and speedy Troy Mitchell. Chris Yelder and John Monchan have experience. The line was hurt by graduation. Tackle Keith Boring and guard Steve Hooper return. Senior Cliff Hagan and Bill Weidenhanner will vie for the vacant tackle spot, while Norm Smith, Peter Warker, and Dennis Sinnett shoot for the other guard. Blake Bush and Dennis McCall will head up the center hopefuls. Frazier Frantz or Mark Fitzpatrick could take over at tight end.

With Michigan and Notre Dame on the card, Welsh has no dreams of an unbeaten season, but there's enough talent and size at Annapolis to crack out another winning ship.

WEST VIRGINIA

In his first season at Morgantown, Don Nehlen retreaded the Mountaineers and brought them back to 6-6 respectability. In 1981 he hopes to improve on that mark, but the offense will have to be rebuilt. "We lost both starting running backs, most of our offensive line, and a fine receiver in Cedric Thomas. That's a lot."

Nehlen, however, still has one of the better quarterbacks in the land available in senior Oliver Luck. He throws with conviction and confidence. His top target could be a soph—Rich Hollins, or Billy Evans or Darrell Miller. The tight end will be Dave Johnson with Mark Raugh in reserve.

The running-back situation will be a chore as the Mountaineers try to replace Robert Alexander and Walt Easley. Those back with a smattering of experience are Curlin Beck, Dane Conwell, Eldridge Dixon, and Mickey Walczak.

The forward wall is more solid. Keith Jones is an eye-catching tackle, with Bill Legg an outstanding soph center. Ed Fornadel and Rob Schell are a pair of soph tackles who'll battle to team with Jones. Others who'll provide escort service are Mike Durrette, Andre Gist, and Frank Kinczel.

The defense, with nine starters back, looks sharper. Darryl Talley and Dennis Fowlkes are a pair of seasoned linebackers with star potential, while Ed Hughes and Dave Preston are sophs to watch. Mike Engle and Jeff Seals are others with experience. The secondary has depth and experience, led by a crack soph in Steve Newberry. Reggie Armstead, Sedrick King, Allen Moreland, and Lind Murray have all had game experience, with the latter two back as starters. Up front, Todd Campbell or Dave Oblak return at the middle guard, while Bob Crites and Calvin Turner could be the tackles.

The kicking situation needs reconstruction for both starters are gone. Bob Simone or Jody McKown could do the punting, while Murat Tercan has good range and accuracy as a place-kicker.

The Mountaineers look thin in spots, but Nehlen does seem to have them on the right track. And with the beautiful new, multi-million dollar facilities (stadium and offices) completed, WVU's football program can only get better.

SYRACUSE

Dick MacPherson is Syracuse's 25th head football coach. He has both collegiate (UMass head coach) and pro (assistant with both Broncos and Browns) background, but his down-east sense of humor, acquired as a native of Old Town, Maine, might come in even handier as he attempts to rebuild the Orange to its once lofty stature.

There are 38 lettermen at Mac's command from last year's 5-6 disappointment, including the gifted Joe Morris, top returning career rusher at an NCAA major program this fall. Morris, the quick-accelerating, 5-9, 180-pounder, has already broken all of the SU rushing records that were made by such famed ballcarriers as Jimmy Brown, the late Ernie Davis, Floyd Little, and Larry Csonka. With 3,105 rushing yards already in the bank—despite missing half of last season due to injuries—Morris seems a shoo-in to wind up over the 4,000-yard mark.

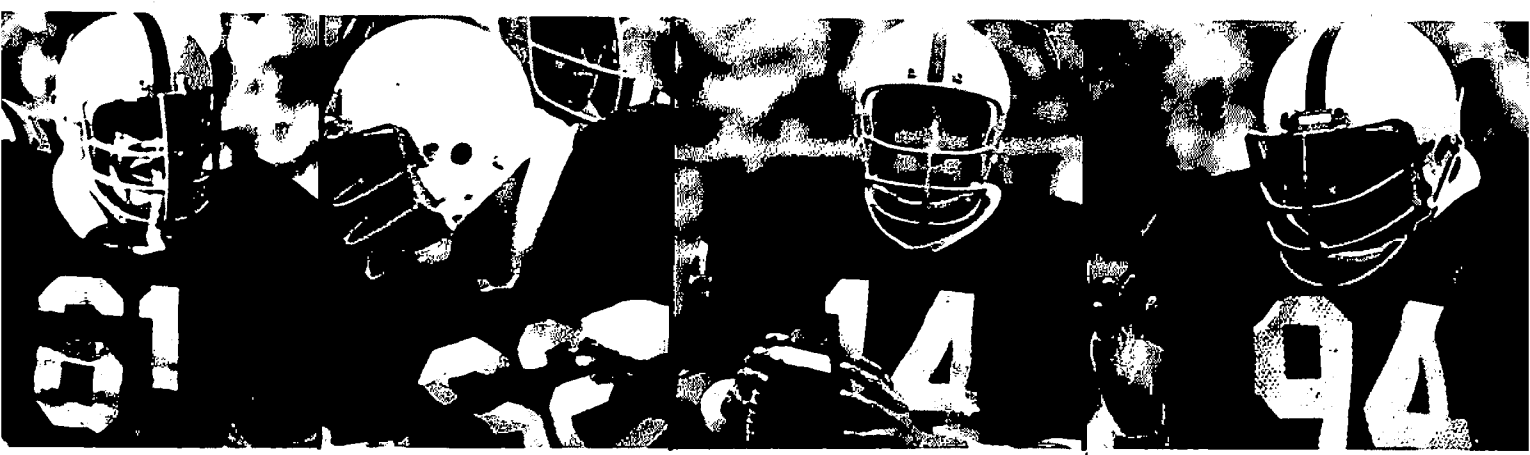
Teaming with him will be senior QB Dave Warner, who had a penchant for tossing the interception (16). But Dave does offer a cool head, good ball-handling, plus solid option running. He'll be backed up by the veteran Jeff Fischer. Glenn Moore and Jaime Covington, a pair of flashy sophs, offer solid credentials as Morris's backups. And in certain of MacPherson's multiple sets, they could even team with Joe. Fullback could be a problem, though massive Jack Gilligan, a soph, had a good spring. Marcus Hackett and Paul Zambuto are the best of the wide-outs, though Tim Wilson could get some playing time.

Up front, the line looks solid, led by All-America tackle candidate John McCollom. Tony Hazzan and John Lally return at guard, while Gerry Feehery will again be over the ball. Gord Gronkowski, Jim McAndrews, Joe Nett, and Bob Manning shore up the reserve.

The Orange came on defensively last fall, though they still gave up better than 3,900 yards and more than 200 points. Jamie Kimmel should be a standout at one flank, while Mike Charles has the girth for tackle. Others who started some up front are Herb Butzke and Ralph Joline, with Steve Santora back after missing 1980 with injuries. Bill Pendock and



DE Larry Kubin (above) and TB Curt Warner, LB Ed Pryts, OG Sean Farrell, QB Todd Blackledge, and LB Chet Parlavecchio (left to right below) give Penn State hope for national championship.





Blaize Winter could more in to starting roles.

The linebacking looks improved with Craig Bingham a winner at one side. Guy Ruff has quickness and Tony Romano has strength inside. Tom Seibert and Mike Zunic have experience and both have started. Co-captain Ike Bogosian returns to the deep secondary along with safety Derek Frederickson and Jerry Kilpatrick.

The Orange have an exceptional placekicker in senior Gary Anderson, who owns one of the better legs in the land, but punting will fall to an inexperienced kicker, either Russ Carpentieri or Joe Ross.

The Orange, under MacPherson, had a wholesome spring, with much of their confidence seemingly restored. If Morris can stay healthy and if Warner can avoid the interception, they have a shot at a winning mark.

BOSTON COLLEGE

After going 7-4, Mike Chlebek decided to take leave of the Heights, thereby leaving the Eagles nest open for Jack Bicknell, who'd been working on the Maine restoration program. Bicknell inherits 38 monogram winners, many of whom played solid defense to keep the Eagles in most ball games. The frontier and linebacking will be the main thrust of the "D." Tackles Joe Nash and Junior Poles have bulk and will anchor the front, with Joe Ferraro again handling middle guard. The defensive ends will be Russ Joyner, Greg Storr, and Roy Norden.

Jim Budness (6-2, 235) is an All-America linebacking candidate as he preps for his senior season. He was named the outstanding New England player last fall. Steve DeOssie and Craig Beal, coming off knee surgery, are other key backers. The secondary will be keyed around safety Rich Dyar. He'll get help from George Radachowsky and Mike Sheppard. Another plus for the "D" is the kicking of veteran John Cooper. The senior hit on 16 of 21 field goals, missed just one PAT, and averaged almost 40 yards with his punts.

Offensively, the Eagles still have one of the more explosive backs in the nation in Shelby Gamble. The 5-11, 197-pounder romped for 702 yards last year and will receive help at running back from Leo Smith, a 205-pound senior. Fullback Kevin Benjamin is a 220-pound senior, with Bob Biestek in reserve.

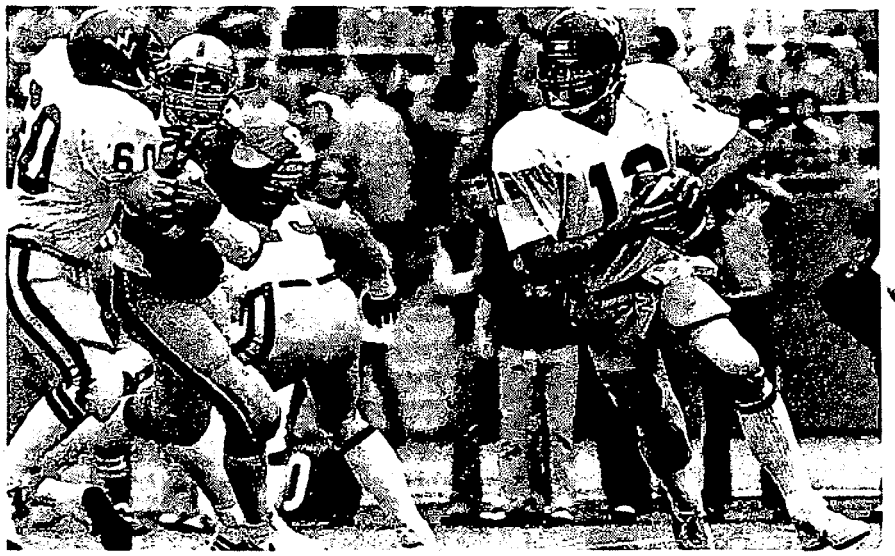
Junior John Loughery returns. He hit for 1,519 passing yards last fall and has a strong arm, plus experience. Doug Guyer and Dennis Scala will back him up. His favorite target is rapid Rob Rickard, as well as Jon Schoen and Scott Nizolek. Gary Kowalski or Brian Krystoforski will divide the duties at tight end. Up front, the Eagles must patch up the situation. Guard Gerry Raymond (6-3, 256) is proven, but center Jack Belcher and guard Steve Lively will have to take up much of the slack supplied by new faces.

Overall, if Bicknell can whip his offensive line into shape, he stands an excellent chance of providing the Eagles with another winner.

RUTGERS

Frank Burns has enjoyed a good run recently at Rutgers, and more success for the Scarlet Knights looms if he can find the replacement parts for a sensational aerial attack, plus some key deep secondary stars. Quarterback Ed McMichael, receivers Dave Dorn and Tim Odell, and punter-safety Deron Cherry logged four years playing time.



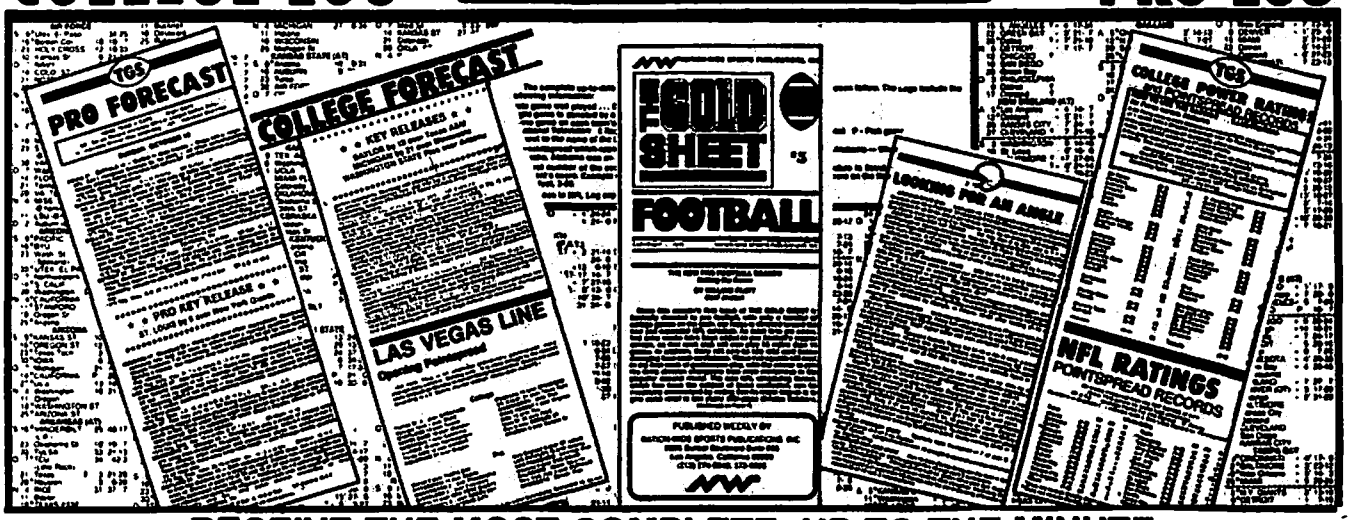


Navy is led by DG Tim Jordan (top left) and RB Eddie Meyers (left); QB Oliver Luck (below) directs West Virginia offense; Dave Warner (right) had 10 TD's for Syracuse in 1980.

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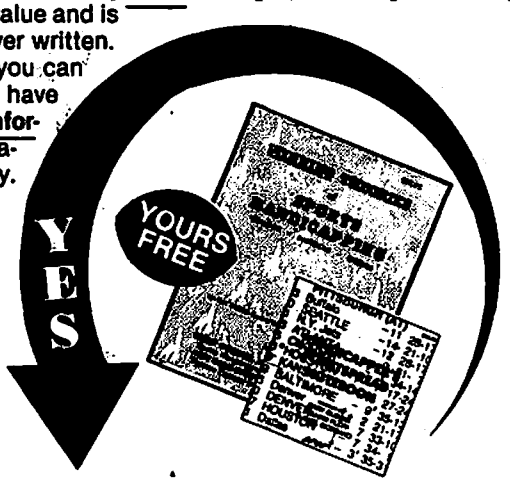
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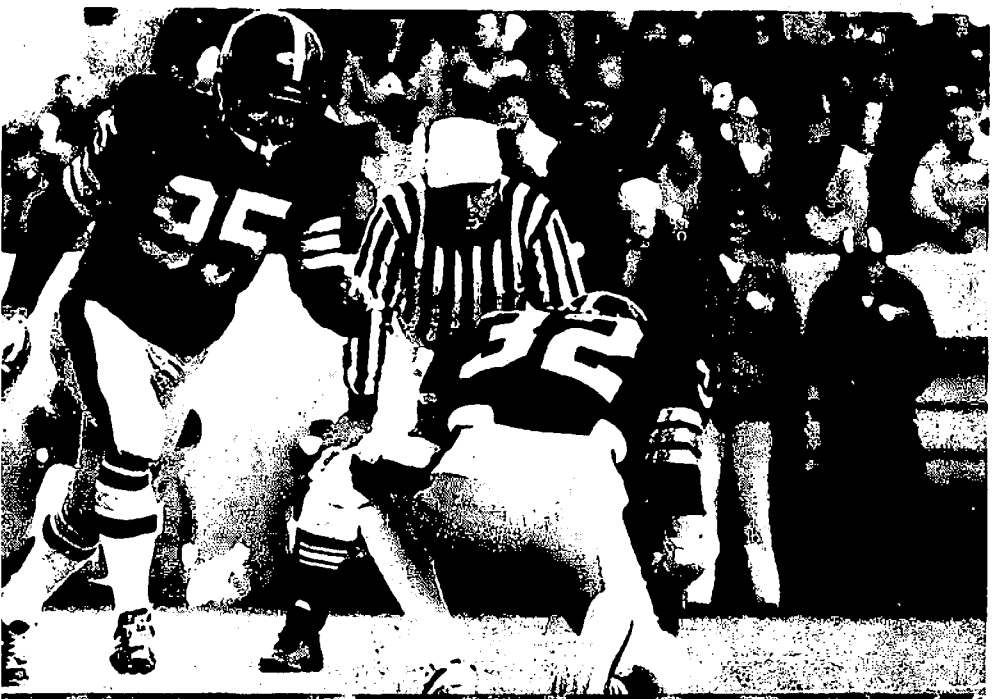
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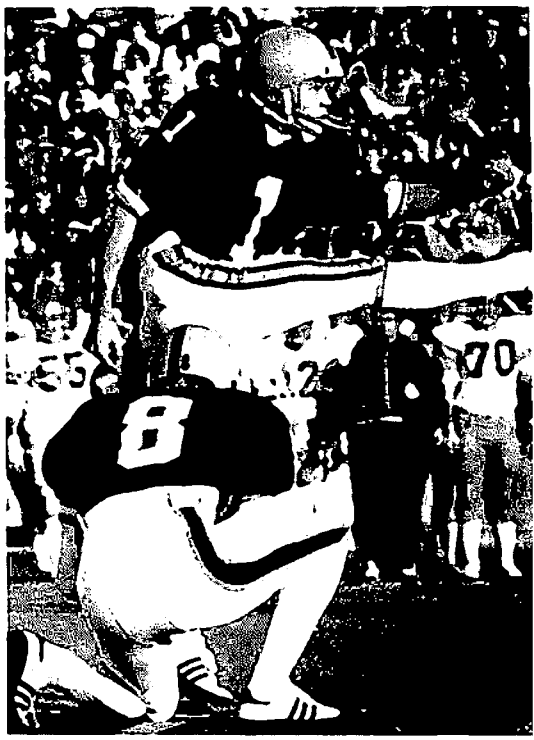


Still, 27 lettermen were on hand to greet Burns from last fall's 7-4 squad. Junior-to-be Ralph Leek will rate a look at QB. He has good size (6-3, 195) and is a strong runner. The tailback again will be Albert Ray, who's led the Knights in rushing for two years. He can catch, too. Junior Eric Johnson will handle one of the receiving roles, with tight end Steve Pfirman returning. He'll be backed by Brian Crockett and Kerry Davenport.

Up front, several regulars return, including center Frank Naylor, guard Jeff George, and tackle Rich Spitzer along with Pfirman. Tony Cella, who split his time at both tackle and guard, plus Jim Zurich likely will step into vacated spots on the left side.

Working with Ray in the first backfield are Bryant Moore, Ted Bethune, or Joe Burke. They've all seen some action. Junior Alex Falcinelli again will handle the place-kicking. He's coming off a 69-point season.

Defensively, linebackers Mike Knight and Keith Woetzel return to their spots. They combined for almost 200 tackles. Jim Dumont, who



Place-kicker Gary Anderson of Orange

missed most of the last fall due to a broken jaw, and his twin brother, Bob, shore up the rest of the backer pack. At defensive end, Ken Bercier and Andy Carino should take over. They're seniors. Bill Pickel (6-6, 255) and Mike Rustemeyer (6-3, 260) return to man the tackle posts. 'Nuff said. Pickel's kid brother, George, also will stabilize the situation, while Bill Beschner and Ray Moore back them up. Nasario Dunn returns to care for the noseguard spot. He suffered a broken leg in last year's preseason skirmishing.

Free safety Mark Pineiro, Bob Ciampaglio at the strong side, plus Dan Errico at one corner will offer experience in the secondary. Scott

Place-kicker Dave Aucoin (at top left), quarterback Jerryl Bennett (left middle), and running back Gerald Walker pace Army attack.

Jensen, Alan Andrews, and Dave Miller offer depth. Keith Hancock takes over Cherry's punting chores.

Among those incoming are several recruits Burns thinks can crack the lineup early. These include running back Martin Cull, receiver Andy Baker, and punter Mike Lasher.

Overall, Burns looks like he's got a deep and talented squad, but that schedule is not easy, topped by Alabama and Pitt. However, another winning season seems to be on the Rutgers drawing board.

ARMY

Despite the fact that the Army Cadets finished on a low note after winning their first two 1980 games, there's a cheerful feeling of optimism on the Hudson Plains these days as Ed Cavanaugh tries to hitch 35 returning letterwinners into a solid grid force.

Cavanaugh is the assistant who took over late last summer when Lou Saban decided to check out, and he apparently has a fairly substantial nucleus on hand, including 14 Warren Waldorff will again operate as the running backs. Walker motored for 917 yards as a soph. Larry Pruitt again will serve as the flanker.

Defensively, depth will be a major headache. Mark Lingo and Larry Carroll should take care of the ends, with tackles Kevin Dodson and Mike Hogan holding forth. All but Hogan started. Charlie Swanson, Darryl Williams, and Bob Wood will be in reserve. The linebacking will be experienced. Seniors John Garrison, Steve Gerras, and Pat Sweeney, plus junior Dan Kessler have all been battle-tested. The secondary is in good shape. Dale Love has lettered three years and holds down one corner, while Kevin Murphy, Rick Dauch, and Mike Williams all are experienced.

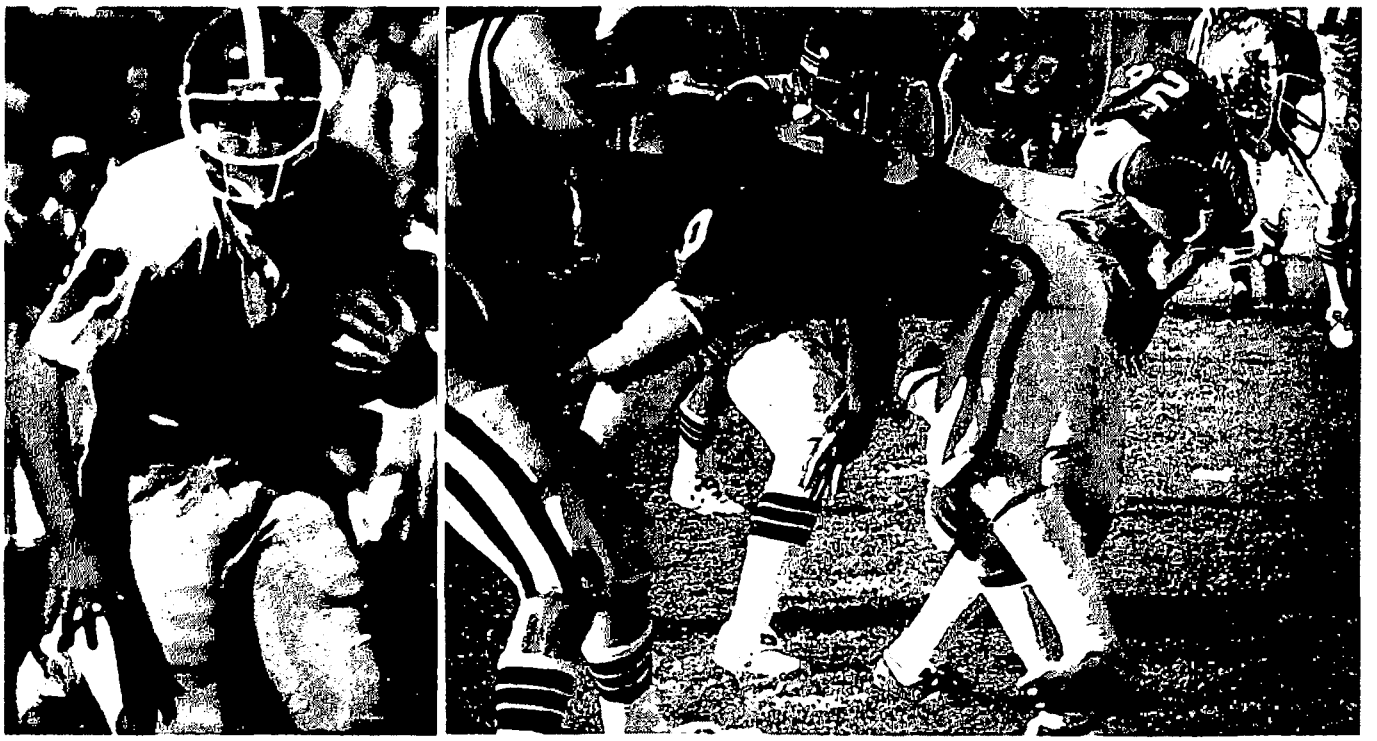
The kicking game is solid. Dave Aucoin is one of the finer place-kickers in the land, and punter Joe Sartiano averaged 38 yards with his boots. He could see dual service at the flanker position in the fall.

Overall, there seems to be more kick in the Ol' Army mule, with a .500 campaign well within the realm of possibility.

Over an offense, either Tink Murphy or Tim Riordan will run the show at QB. Murphy had most of the playing time last year, though he had 12 interceptions. The running back corps, led by elusive Kevin Duckett, is strong. Sherman Myers, who has a way of exploding, Ed Montiero, and powerhouse Brian Slade can tote the mail. Fleet Gerry Lucear, who caught 29 passes, leads the pass catchers along with Myers. Reggie Brown and Tony Gambone supply depth.

Up front, the tight end will be cared for by either Tymon DeMauro or Joe Rettig, with improving Mike Berger snapping the ball. Such veteran linemen as Craig Epley, Mike Pendino, Joe Mazzarella, Ross Mongiardo, Bob Gallagher, and Joe Caliguire should be able to provide able escort service. Bob Clauser returns to supply his place-kicking artistry, while Walt Marlin probably will punt.

Hardin has enough seasoned personnel at his command to suit up another sharp Owl, but that schedule might be a little too much for a winning record.



Wide receiver Brian Kelley (left) and tailback Mark Covington (right) excelled for the Holy Cross Crusaders in 1980.

starters back. He's been trying diligently to rebuild both lines.

Jim Sharman, a 234-pound offensive guard, will work at tackle this fall. His running mate probably will be Gene Skinner, who's been switched inside from tight end. Rick Waddell looks like one guard, with Joe Homa getting first crack at tight end. Tom Henry and Rob Heather might have something to say about who starts. As will Mark Wuestner, an improved jayvee lineman. Captain Dan Enright will be over the ball again, while either Koltan Riley or Dave Kinsella will work into the guard spot.

Another switch will find Dino Harris, a speedy running back, trying his luck at split end. Al Wynder and Brad Risser will back him up. The offensive backfield looks set, with Jerryl Bennett supplying the quarterback direction. He passed for better than 1,000 yards last fall, despite missing four games. Gerald Walker and

TEMPLE

Coming off a soft 4-7 season and staring at one of the toughest slates in the country means that Wayne Hardin will have to pull out all his coaching tricks if he's to lift the Owls to .500.

He could do it, for there are 33 returning lettermen, mostly sophs and juniors, but with experience. Hardin's defense looks fairly solid, especially in the secondary, where super linebacker Steve Conjar still holds forth. He's a top tackler and the captain of the 1981 Owls. He has seasoned mates at the backer spots: Mike Fuoco, Jay Gicker, and Todd Hershman.

In the deep secondary, Matt McArdle, Kevin Ross, Bill Shirk, and Sam Shaffer all return for more duty, as do letter-winners Joe Butler, Lonnie Davis, and Art Hood. Up front, Guy Peters and Brian Wensel return to shore up matters along with Matt Lauck and Vinnie Mini. Depth could be a thorn in the Owls' side here.

COLGATE

Coach Fred Dunlap, beginning his sixth campaign as overseer of the Red Raiders, hopes that added experience will improve his grid ship in 1981. Nevertheless, Colgate did go 5-4-1 last fall, its fourth winning season in the last five. Turnovers, including 20 interceptions, plus inconsistent pass defense hurt the Raiders.

The QB picture is not as crystal clear as it might have been due to the transfer of soph QB Wayne Schuchts. Still, junior Brian Plunkett, red-shirted last fall, had a good spring, and Tom Rosenfeld has experience. The running backs are deep. Co-captain Tom McChesney is a bruising fullback. He led the rushers with 544 yards. Rich Erenberg, with 496, and Frank Rossi are both seasoned.

Tom Rogers returns at split end. He grabbed 46 passes last year, a school mark. Paul Callan will back him up. Tight end will be a battle pitting

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Yale captain Fred Leone was All-Ivy performer at defensive end.

Mike Kovach and Bill Cullen. Returning starters up front will be tackles George Swan (6-3, 240) and Marty Schuff (6-3, 246) and guard Dave Moules. Kevin Gallagher will snap the ball, while Mark Owens could be the left guard.

Over on defense, Dunlap is toying with the idea of using three tackles. Jay Woerdeman heads the group, with Kelly Robinson, an all-star candidate, and Bob Picinich working with him. Karl Grabowski paces the linebackers, with Dave Wolf helping him starch up the middle. Outside, Jon Kimmel, John Joyce, and Jeff Gembitsky look solid. The secondary needs confidence. John Brown, Paul Ordille, and John Hoff return, with Carl Boykin and Leroy Smalls at the corners. Brian Byrne will again do the place-kicking, and Kovach the punting.

There's plenty of enthusiasm in the Chenango Valley, and if Dunlap can straighten out his aerial defense, the Raiders could have another successful campaign.

HOLY CROSS

A ho-hum 3-8 season pushed the Crusaders into making a coaching switch, so Dayton's young, high flyer, Rick Carter, was imported to attempt to set a sharper course for the Cross football program. Carter had driven Dayton to a perfect 14-0 mark, including the NCAA division-III crown last fall.

Rick plans to install a multiple offense and will build it around senior QB Dave Boisture, who threw for more yards, 1,659, than any other Eastern passer last season. He hit 133 of 262, but authored 15 interceptions. Dave comes by his football savvy naturally, for his dad (Tom) coached HC in the late 1960's and is now Player Personnel Director of the New York Giants. Backing up Boisture is Dave Murphy, who started three games.

Leading the returning ball-carriers are squat Mark Covinton and rapid tailback Dave Shimshock, plus fullbacks Doug Pietrick and Elmars Reks. Andy Clivio, one of the more highly-recruited New England backs, is still available.

Up front, the center will be Bruce Kozerski (6-5, 250) with Jack Nealon and Vince Conca, a pair of senior guards, alongside. Mike Rega (6-2, 240) has experience at tackle and could team with big Paul Connelly. Brian Marcucio and Matt Martin will also get a long look, as will John Fazekas. Terry Malone, who caught 11 passes, should resume as the tight end. On the split side, Brian Kelley and Mike Redding caught 48 and 40 passes, respectively, so they'll be favorite targets again. Ed Myers and John Schroder will serve in reserve.

Defensively, Carter will go to a 5-2, a departure from HC's former eight-man front. Junior Frank Mattiace should return as noseguard, with Bob Roncarati and Dave Detmer handling the tackles. Roncarati missed the 1980 campaign due to injury. Steve Raquet, a top rookie last fall, will occupy one flank. He'll probably team with Wayne Thornton or John Andreoli, experienced seniors.

Linebacking looks strong, with seniors Bill Pearson and Dan Reilly plus sophs Harry Flaherty and Tom Haskins all back for more duty. Soph Rob Porter has talent at one corner with Eric Oden at the other. John McNally could be the free safety with Don Johnson or Doug O'Donnell working at the strong side. Tim Barry is back to do the punting, with frosh Tony Melink doing the placement work.

In summation, Carter might be able to feed the hungry Crusader alumni, but he'll need a year or two to upgrade the program.

IVY LEAGUE

YALE

Carm Cozza has half of his starters returning from his Ivy League champions who logged a solid 8-2 campaign, including a victory over the Air Force Academy. The two-time Eli Ivy kings will be shooting for a record third consecutive undisputed league crown, and are favored to achieve their goal.

Most of the key personnel in Yale's big 1980 success return, led by senior tailback Rich Diana (5-11, 215) who set school marks for all-purpose running, with an average of 174.9 ypg. He rushed for 1,074 yards, only the third in Eli history to top 1,000. Jim Dalzell or soph Paul Andrie will back him up. Bob Cottrell, Jeff Bassette, and Scott Clark will fight it out for the fullback post. John Rogan (6-2, 188) returns as the starting QB. He passed for 891 yards last year and nine TD's. Joe Dufek, Rick Crews, and soph Israel Rosales will challenge Rogan.

Up front, Cozza must replace his top tackles. Rick Primrose should handle one side while Paul Lata, who started most games at guard, could work into the other spot. Bill Basa, Pete Gates, and Dave Murakowski will provide depth. Pat Ruwe saw a good deal of guard service. Bill Bellissimo and soph Ron Giella look like the leaders for the other spot. Senior Joe Mumford will be over the ball again. Jim Lang and Marc Jaben, a solid deep-snapper, are also on deck.

Split end Curt Grieve (6-4, 200) latched onto 32 passes for 580 yards and eight TD's. He's tough to bring down. Bob Burkitt is another quality receiver. Soph Rog Javens and Jeff Schulte will also push for playing time. Tom Kokoska returns at tight end.

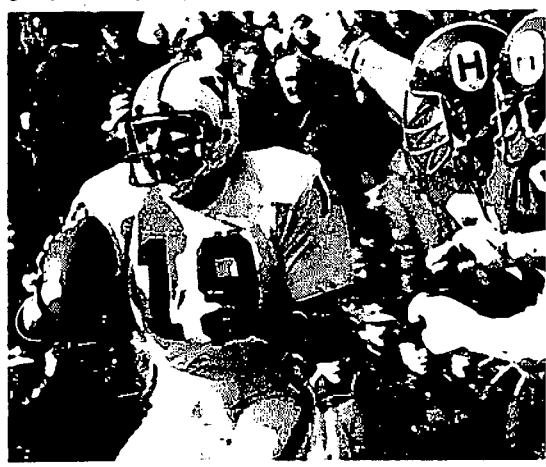
Defensively, the Elis have been one of the nation's leaders for years, led by the line and linebacking. Depth could be a problem. Captain Fred Leone, a unanimous first-team All-Ivy, returns to anchor the line from one end. Dennis Tulsiak, another league selection, will work as the noseguard. Greg Burkus is the man to beat out for the other end post. Serge Mihaly returns at one tackle, with sophs Doug Batesky and Ben Blue fighting for the other. Jeff Rohrer (6-3, 215) was having a great year until he broke his ankle. He's ready to go again. Jay Snyder and Jim Joiner have game experience while Bob White comes with high freshman marks. Dave Novosel, All-Ivy monster, left a big gap, though Jed Duncan or Dennis Gaughan should take up the slack. Pat Conran returns at one corner, along with Dave Daugherty. Sophs Jim Moskosky and John Faraguna bring top credentials.

Tony Jones, who did all of Yale's kicking last fall, returns, though Ken Baer is a fine punter and Charles Loucks is a soph with strong place-kicking possibilities.

Overall, Yale looks like it will be solid again on both sides of the ball, and figures to be the Ivy team to catch once more.

HARVARD

Harvard returns 33 lettermen from its 7-3 squad of last fall which just misfired. They'll be beefed up by an unbeaten freshman squad that many Crimson die-hards feel is one of the better groups in the past decade.



Eli quarterback John Rogan is one of the East's leading talents.

There'll be only three starters back on offense to greet veteran coach Joe Restic: split end Ron Cuccia, center John Francis, and fullback Jim Callinan. Obviously the frontier must be rebuilt if Restic's multiflex attack is to move the football. Jim Acheson, who came fast late last year, could team with Callinan as the running backs, with Don Allard stepping to the front as the new quarterback. Cuccia caught 22 passes last fall. Others who could be woven into the picture are such ball-toters as Scott McCabe, Mike Ernst, and Mike Granger, with Wally Rutecki and Bill McGlone providing some help at the flanks. Greg Brown could serve at one tackle with John Pendergast at the other. Harry Cash will take over a guard spot.

Defensively, Justin Whittington returns as one regular end, with Kevin McHugh, Mike Corbat, and Dave Zumbrum fighting for the other berth. Tom Scott and Dave Suave have first call at the tackles, with Scott Murrer as the noseguard. He could be a star. Brad Stinn returns as one linebacker, helped by Mark Layden and Marc Mills. Rocky Delgadillo, who intercepted seven passes last fall, and Pete Coppinger return as the corner regulars. Lou Varsames could move in as the adjuster (rover).

The early indication is that the Crimson will have some early-season problems due to their overall inexperience. But if Restic can harness

his talented troops, Harvard could make a genuine fight for the Ivy title.

CORNELL

Cornell took a giant stride forward last fall, finishing second to Yale in the Ivy League and weighing in with a solid 5-1 freshman array. All of which made Bob Blackman beam after four years of turning around the Big Red flagship. However, graduation losses—33 lettermen—were extremely heavy, which means that more rebuilding confronts the veteran Big Red mentor. Included in the departures were 19 regulars.

"But we are not pessimistic despite these losses," says Blackie, who refuses to look upon 1981 as a "rebuilding season. We've finished in the upper division of the league for the past three years, and we like to think that we now have a sound enough program to replace those who have departed."



Defensive back Ken Williams of Cornell

Despite losses, Blackman is confident that Brian Thompson and Joe Polichene can step in and do the job at defensive end. John Bohenick (6-4, 270) and Steve Duca will man the tackle spots, along with huge Bill Kratch. End depth will come from sophs Len Oniskey, Art Keith, Ray Howard, and John Constantino. Jim Sherrill, Greg Brewer, and Ralph Scholz will move into the tackle picture.

A battle royal is in prospect for the inside linebacking roles and will involve Mike Machikas, Mike Prospero, Kevin McCarthy, and Julio Rodriguez. Outside, Chris Bakowski and Bill Dyar bring brief experience, but they'll have to outbattle such hot sophs as Matt Janes and Paul Royer. Mike Scully, John Donnelly, and Dave Hawkins lend depth to the corps. Starting halfbacks Dave Kimichik and Ken Williams return. The former had seven interceptions. Chris Moresco, Dave Shea, and Marc DiNunzio should supply depth as will Tim McKinney, Scott Sidman and Todd Firebaugh.

Scott Dowdell returns as the punter, but the place-kicking duties will fall to a newcomer: Ken Rubenstein, Steve Kotler, or Mike Quinzi, none of whom has game experience.

On the other side of the ball, the offensive trenches are bare. Inexperienced Tom Rooney and Dave Hicks will fight for the pivot post, with lettermen Rob Palumbo and John Lewis at the guards, along with Paul Michalewicz. The tackle situation will fall to Steve Ross, Angel Milanes, Chuck Artymovich, or Brad Busscher. Sophs Hugh Smith, Pete Lee, and Bill Morrissey will add depth. Rich Patulski (Walt's kid brother) or Dan Suren will vie for the tight end spot. Swingback Alva Taylor returns as a starter. He had 13 catches. Gary Bullis will back him up. Sophs to watch at the receiver spots are Tom Donahue, Mark Annunziata, Pete Strang, Mike Beekman, and Terry Thomas.

The five top rushers have departed, leaving Bill Zittel and Mark Harrison in command. Mark Miller, top frosh rusher, could step in at full. Dana Shute, who sat out last year, is back. Bob Muha, Mark DiTondo, and Dave Menapace have had only brief service. Soph Derrick Harmon, Paris Smith, and Sam Moore could help.

The quarterback situation is a puzzle. Chris Metz, a lefty, Doug Fusco, and Andy Schroer have all showed flashes.

The overall Cornell picture shows weaknesses, but there's a winning attitude now high above Cayuga's waters, and that may carry the Big Red to another winning campaign.

PRINCETON

The Tigers roared to a 6-4 season last fall, their best mark since 1969, but 13 starters have been lost through graduation, causing coach Frank Navarro and his staff plenty of heartburn. Eight were defensive regulars.

The top offensive problem is replacing the QB. Senior Bob Holly may take over, or it could be junior Brent Woods. A pair of sophs, Scott Mayfield and Steve Cusma, will also be in the battle. The running back situation is solid, with co-captain. Larry Van Pelt returning at fullback. Mike Neary will be the tailback again. Supplying depth will be juniors Roland Warren and Farris Curry as well as the oft-injured Jim Hilbert.

The receiving corps needs beefing up, for top catcher Cris Crissy has departed along with his associates. Scott Oostdyk saw service at tight end, as did Alex Pendino. Dave Ginda could be the wide-out, though he'll get an argument from sophs Rog Ackerman, Derek Graham, and Kevin Guthrie.

Up front, the Tigers look solid. Jon Schultheis and Mark Rifkin are back at their tackle stations, while center Larry Arata and guard Rick Klein also return. Those linemen with reserve experience who can supply depth are Kevin Schlosser, Jerry Brady, Mike Schiller, Jeff Rant, and Tom Pascarella.

Defensively, the Tigers deploy basically in a 5-2 alignment, but with eight regulars gone it's a definite question mark. Co-captain and tackle Jono Helmerich will pace the frontier. Gary Grass, Isaac Smith, Craig Carvin, and Joe Voigtsberger have the most experience of the rest. Bob Haywood is a letterman noseguard. Two starting linebackers—Ed Nardi and Doug Kaye—are back. They'll team with Scott Wright, Mark Finnigan, and Jordy Maine. In the deep secondary, senior corners Tim Yaggi and Stan Freck saw some action, as did free safety Chris Fickett. Bill Meade, a transfer from Penn, could help. Vic Ruterbusch, a former linebacker, will be tried as a deep back.

Marsh Merrifield takes over the punting chores, unless he's beaten out by Brad Urschel. Rick Wise will again do the place-kicking, though he'll be challenged by soph Sebastian Gutierrez.

Princeton's defensive woes could cause the Tigers problems early. But if Navarro can patch things together, his running backs might be able to control the football and give his squad time to mature.

BROWN

Graduation cost the Bears mightily as 15 starters finished their careers, so John Anderson is confronted with inexperience almost wherever he turns, with the first backfield being wiped out completely.

Tight end Steve Jordan, an All-Ivy pick, will have to lead a forward wall that hasn't had much playing time. Mike Campbell, with 29 catches, returns at the split side. Co-captain Travis Holcombe returns at one guard slot, with junior Kevin Powers likely to be his running mate. Mike Dolan is the center. He started three games before injuries took their toll. Best bets for tackle are Dan Bauk, Tom Walsh, and Chris Ravenscroft.

Hank Landers will probably take over Larry Carbone's QB chores, though he'll get an argument from Dave Baum. Bruce Peters and Bill Barrett could divide time at full unless Tim Ruark returns from a year's absence at full tilt. Dave Sims and Wayne Singleton are the leading tailbacks. Paul Farnham or Kelly Brothers will operate as the flanker.

Best news is Brown's kicking game, for Bud Brooks and Bob Granfors both return. They'll split the place-kicking duties, while Pete Bogdanovich will again do the punting.

The defense will be paced by co-captain Damon Finnernan, a stout end. Mark Walsh and Dolph Schaefer will vie for the other flank. Middle guard Frank Batch returns to his regular role, with Bill Aliber and Eric Darrow operating as the tackles again. Ken Newcomer is a fine outside linebacker, with Mike Stuer and Dan Nelson also showing quality. Jeff Gradinger, a standout, returns in the secondary. Pat Dillon, Larri Bard, and Terri Bridal will see service.

Anderson is hoping that a good deal of help comes from an outstanding frosh squad. Running backs Vince Stephens and Terry Schoenborn, flanker Steve Gorriaran, guard Jeff Trauger, and tackle Matt Paknis should all help the offense. Defensive assistance should come from linebacker Dennis Slott, tackles Neal Monagle and Gary Cloutier, end Dave Burshtan, guard John Danier, and deep backs Mike Gibbons and Bob Chiaradio. Anderson doesn't disguise the fact that he liked his freshman group, for he calls them "the best freshman team we have had at Brown in my nine years."

Overall, Brown's tough early slate puts even more pressure on this young team, for unless they come quickly, the Bears could be out of the race before they get in it.

DARTMOUTH

The Green enters its second century of football this fall, with plenty of rebuilding to be done on offense, plus some patchwork needed on defense if Dartmouth is to improve on its disappointing 4-6 1980 campaign. It was 4-3 in the Ivy League to tie for third.

The offense lost eight starters, whereas nine members of the defensive first team return. The OL was devasted by graduation. Center Todd Markman and co-captain George Thompson next to him are ready for another year, but the other front-line parts are missing. Leading the charge are Jody Hubbard and Jon Merriman, while such prospects as Wayne Ferree, Steve Quinn, and Matt Tadich try to break in.

Quarterback is up for grabs. Rick Stafford finished fast and looks like the one to beat. Daryl Wong, out with injuries, and Dave Howard have a shot. Dennis Runck, Sean Maher, Rich Lena, and Pete Lavery will be fighting for recognition at running back. Shaun Teevens is a solid flanker. Senior John Idzik and Ray Murphy will battle for the split spot. Another with good hands is Jack Daly, MVP of the frosh.

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Buck Foote could be the tight end, for he blocks and catches well. Pete Lindbom has the size but needs playing time.

Defensively, 19 of the first 22 return. Co-captain Kent Cooper will anchor the line as the middle guard. He'll be flanked by seasoned tackles Lee Sedberry and Mark Clayton. Junior Matt Jurkoic weighs in with 250 pounds of back-up bulk. Joe Fernandes returns at one inside backer post with Rob Carroll tending to an outside spot. Jim Otto, John Asher, Kent Koerbitz, Curt Reed, and Dave Neslund, will all battle for the other vacant spots. The deep secondary is set. Barry Pizor will again be at safety, with Scott Hacker serving as the rover. Kevin Thorne and Charlie Williams will work the corners. Williams also is an ace kick returner. Paul Willis and Lou Grimmelbein add depth.

Pizor will punt again, though soph John Corbett might put his toe into it, too. Senior Tim Geibel will be doing the place-kicking. He hit one from 41 yards out last season.

Some sophs to tab are QB Frank Polsinello, flanker Jack Daly, receiver Matty Lopes, guard Ike Schurman, linebacker Dave Fuhrman, plus punter Corbett.

Unless Joe Yukica, starting his fourth year, can rub a magic lantern, it appears as though the Green will have to push to hit the .500 mark.

PENN

First-year head coach Jerry Berndt has a plethora of returning starters to help him rebuild the Quakers. Nine offensive regulars and six on "D" will answer his call, but keep in mind that those worthies were only able to nail Columbia as their lone 1980 victim. Berndt plans a lot of looks—multiple sets on offense, varied looks on defense. Perhaps this will help the former DePauw head man to cover up a few problems as he buys time to heal the once-proud Red and Blue.

Staring him in the face is the QB spot. He has four returning, including Gary Vura and Doug Marzonie, the best of the quartet, but with dismal aerial efficiency. The best frosh passer was Bob Papenfuss and he could be a factor. Meanwhile, Gib Carter is now a wide-out and John Sylva has left the offense to back up the line.

The best Penn targets are tight end Bruce Edwards, moved over from the split side, plus soph Mike Miller, a streak with good hands. Marc Hembrough and John Sullivan are others who'll see action at tight end. Running back Paul Brodsky is also now a wide-out. Co-captain Rick Beauvais and Steve Rubin are seasoned running backs. Rick Amos can blast for short yardage, while Steve Fiacco and Tom Pidgeon must battle frosh Vince Casanova for playing time.

The OL is back intact: center Chris DeMaria, guards Joel Mock and Jim Keough, tackles John McInerney and Ed Miranda, the latter a 260-pounder. A pair of sophs to watch are Bob Zimmerman and Kevin Murphy.

John Dwyer's big place-kicking shoes will have to be filled, though Ed Gramigna is back to punt. He gets good hang time. Dave Shulman, up from the frosh, might win the PAT chores.

Defensively, Berndt will employ a 4-4, with Bob Bailey and Chris Reiser anchoring at tackle, unless soph Dave Smith cracks the lineup. Dan Prendergast, Scott Boggio, Tom Sgro, and Bob Dennan are all seasoned inner linebackers. Outside, Mike Christiani and Jimmy Smith may hold forth, with Mike Savage and Matt Finn in reserve. The ends are young. Bill Lista, Mike Pearson, and John Morgenthaler are all sophs with a future. Bill Waryck is a junior. In the deep secondary, Dave Pace owns one corner, with Terry Dowling having first crack at safety. Tony Liberatore will play safety or a corner. He started every game last fall.

Berndt looks like his fire will put some enthusiasm back in Penn, but he'll need some time to move up into the Ivy's first division.

COLUMBIA

After a disappointing rookie year, coach Bob Naso hitches up his belt, looking for improvement from the Light Blue Lions. He feels that remarkable progress was made last fall despite the winless Ivy record, and that this improvement will be reflected in a more competitive force this season.

The offensive platoon is veteran, with four starters returning up front: tackles Greg Fry and co-captain Tom McNally, guard Jim Davin, and center Steve Monteith. John Gil saw considerable playing time at tight end. Kieth Cockrell and Steve Wallace are two of the best wide-outs in the Ivy, along with Dave Rowell, who could play split or tight end. Three upcoming sophs—Bill Reggio, Don Lewis, and Ed Mangiarotti—add depth. Tailback Joe Cabrera, second-team All-Ivy, returns for his final season. Seniors Jim Pritchard and Gregg Nabhan and junior Jim Powell add their experience, while speedy soph Jim McHale is a game-wrecker. QB is wide-open. Junior Pete Rappa, senior Greg Gennaro, and Mark Wasik return, but they'll have to fight off three sophs: John Witkowski, Doug Softy, and Gary Ervin.

Defensively, the tackle and linebacker corps were hard hit. Vince Pelini, MG-LB, is a stickout, while Tim Coleman will board up one end. Soph Tim Means might work with Pelini as a backer along with Tom Nevitt, who missed most of the season with injuries. The secondary suffered from injuries, but some of the younger performers thus profited from getting game playing time. These include Chris Meininger, Bill Reilly, Mike Scavina, and John Vota along with Jim Witherspoon.

The kicking game should be more consistent. Mike Scavina was an adequate punter, while place-kicker Miro Lovric improved as the season wore on. Rich Cory could challenge.

Overall, Naso appears to be improving the Lions, but a second-division finish is likely.

MIDDLE FOUR

DELAWARE

Led by returning vets in the offensive line and the defensive backfield, coach Tubby Raymond is optimistic about his 1981 Blue Hens even though the schedule has been stiffened somewhat. They ranked sixth in the final division I-AA poll last fall with a 9-2 mark. Kodak All-America tackle Garry Kuhlman is back at one offensive tackle spot with Craig DeVries ready to serve again as his running mate. Pete Mill will snap the ball, flanked by guard Mark Mellito. John Bob and Chris Doozer are in reserve.

A pair of seasoned QB's return to direct Tubby's wing-T show. Starter Rick Scully and John Davies both are experienced at pulling the pin, though Scully also became the Hen's top rushing QB last fall. Their running back corps had had only limited playing time but looks impressive. Fullback Pete Gudzak and halfbacks Cliff Clement, Kevin Phelan, and Rudy Brown will get the job done. Mark Carlson and Owen Brand shoot for the post at split end, while Mark Steimer should star again at the tight end.

The defense is led by a pair of fine tackles, All-America candidate Ed Braceland and Joe Valentino. The ends will be Paul Brown and John Mongan, Chris Wagner and Will Rutan, who started some games in 1980, plus Ron Rossi should handle the linebacking. All-America Bill Maley paced the deep corps, with George Schmidt and Lou Reda also returning for starting duty. They intercepted 14 passes last fall. Bob Samuels and Barney Osevala are in reserve.

The kicking corps is experienced, too, with K.C. Knobloch, the Hens' high scorer, ready to do the place-kicking again and Rick Titus continuing to punt.

Adding depth to Raymond's squad are such incoming freshmen as running backs John Merklinger, Fred Sisk, and Maury Jarmon; receiver Jim Pawloski; linemen Doug Martin, John Laub, Bob Boulden, and Tom Pescherine. Also linebacker Chris Robertson, tight end Tim Sager, and QB Andy Baranak.

Another banner season for the Blue Hens.

LEHIGH

Coach John Whitehead engineered another undefeated regular season last fall before his gridders were nosed out by Eastern Kentucky in the NCAA playoffs. Over the past four years, Lehigh has compiled a glowing 39-9-2 mark. Another successful campaign looks like it's in the works, with a chance for Lehigh to defend its Lambert Cup, emblematic of division 1-AA supremacy in the East.

Back to run the offensive show will be senior Larry Michalski, who'll be surrounded by 22 returning lettermen. Larry hit 128 of 246 passes last fall, for better than a mile (1,856 yards) and 19 TD's. Helping him move the ball will be halfbacks Joe Rabuck and Ed Godbolt and fullbacks Greg Manion and John Ahsler. Tight ends Paul Anastasio and Tom Nikles are back to handle their chores, while tackle Kevin Greene, guards Scott Fath and Ron Garris, and center Mark Sitar have all earned their letters. Former center Dan Ryan might go to split end.

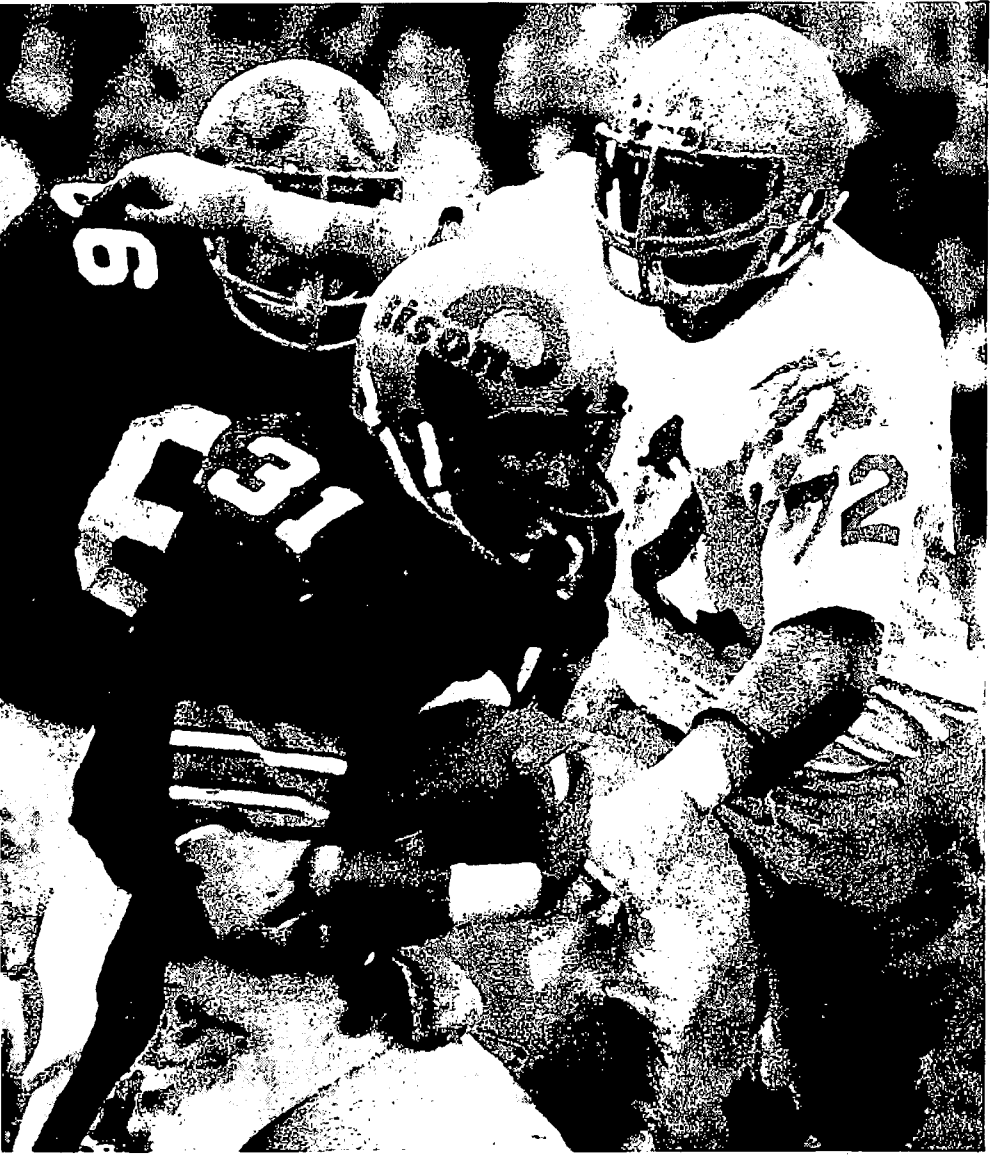
On the other side of the ball, Lehigh has been very tough and figures to be so again. Ends Joe Kowalonek and Karl Nielsen can again hold forth, with Dave Szablowski, Ed Fallon, and Russ Becker returning for more tackle duty. Ken Rosen, Mark Standorf, and John Shigo are experienced linebackers, while Joe Macellara, Mike Tuohey, and Pete Smith have logged time in the deep secondary.

Whitehead lost his ace place-kicker—Ted Iobst—and this is one of his biggest concerns. He dismisses it by merely saying, "We'll have a kicker when the time comes." The chances are John will have plenty of kick in his 1981 Engineers, too.

BUCKNELL

Gaping holes in the interior line plus the loss of seven defensive starters was the picture that veteran coach Bob Curtis faced last spring as he began to reknit the Bisons. There were 31 letter-winners on hand, plus the momentum of winning four of their last six, including a 30-17 win over Boston U., the Yankee Conference king, which knocked the Terriers out of an NCAA playoff spot.

Returning for his senior windup is speedy Ken Jenkins, the halfback who dashed for 1,270 yards and tallied 16 TD's to set a mass of school



Bucknell's Ken Jenkins led division I-AA players in all-purpose rushing.

records. He'll team again with fullback Marsh Hunt. Al Locey has experience now at QB and that should help the attack, with Dave Kucera returning as his favorite wide-out. Dave Phillips is a crack tackle, Marty Schaetzle, who saw some playing time, should move into one guard slot, with Gary Fritz, who makes the deep snaps, being tried as his mate. Jim Mitchell and Tim Pangonas are other possibilities, while junior Jim Bresnicky will be over the ball. John Boehmer and Joe Golomboski should battle it out for the other tackle berth.

The tight end post is vacant now that Rich Passerotti has switched over to defense. Craig Stinson and Roy D'Amico could be the answer. Backing up tall Locey at QB will be Ed Hughes, though this pair only clicked on 36 percent of their passes last fall. Steve Zenda, out with injuries, plus sophs Mike Amatrula and Greg Cameron will add depth to running back.

Defensively, the line must be rebuilt. End Ed Zack and tackle Tom Balcavage had brief experience last year. Tackle John Fauth didn't play last fall after lettering as a frosh. Meanwhile, Passerotti's switch should bolster things. Brad Henneman and Britt Bassett lend depth. The linebacking looks solid, for Ken Durr and Pat Paro are back to team with co-captain Jeff Miller. Darryl Cline, former full, comes over to the defense. Mike Knaub and Glen MacGibbon supply LB depth. Halfback Doug Smoot is a two-year starter in the deep secondary, while Mike Thompson finished strong. Brian Falvey or Andy Kimball will vie for the safety role. Durr can punt and handle kickoffs, while barefoot Bill Grennon does the PAT and FG work.

Overall, Curtis looks like he's got his work cut out to repair the graduation damage and deliver another winner.

LAFAYETTE

Bill Russo, former head coach of Wagner, has been given the wand to wave the Leopards back to respectability after last fall's 3-7 collapse. He'll run the attack wide open, as he returns 32 lettermen.

There are eight returning defensive starters, and that's from a unit that permitted only 7.3 points per game. The front and linebacking should be solid. Only five offensive starters are back, with strength at running back, led by Rodger Shepko. Ron Williams looked sharp early before he was injured. Senior Roger Curlyo may start at full unless he does move over to defense. Jim Fruehan and Craig Williams are good bucking backs.

Top returning QB is Mark Lechmanik, with Ed Vore and Matt Panich battling him for the job. Senior Al Cognigni will wind up as one split end, with Jack Gatehouse and Ron Ragan fighting for the other. Dave Berrang and Ed Opatkiewicz return to split the tight end duties.

The rest of the OL looks adequate, with junior Ed Stahl and Steve Biale holding up the right side; Mark Zelina is back on the opposite side. Other depth will come from Bob Clifford, Jeff Leonard, Chris Bucolo, and Ron DiBiase. Tom Jackman or Gary Yogan will center.

Defensively, the front five is back intact. Ed Wallace, Brett Larson, Tony Green, Luke Drayer, and Joe Calhoun are ready to go again, but there's starch in the reserves, too. Rich Doverspike, Dave Gleason, and Gerry Penrose might crack the lineup. The Leopards are solid at linebacking, led by All-America candidate Joe Skladany and George Wilson. Mark Sample and Dave Wagner will be in reserve. The secondary offers concern, for only Bob Mahr returns. Bob Sharr and John Letcavits could move in, while Curylo is trying to make the switch from full to safety. Joe Fallon and Frank Luzi should see service.

Overall, Lafayette looks like it'll be much more exciting under Russo, who likes to go to the air about 40 percent of the time.

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CONNECTICUT

Walt Nadzak has turned around the UConn's grid program in his four seasons at Storrs, and last year (7-3) it began to pay dividends. More success is expected, for 22 lettermen return, including a seasoned offensive backfield.

QB Ken Sweitzer, who set a New England single season total-offense mark of 2,433 yards, is back for his senior season. He hit 127 of his 252 passes for better than 2,000 yards. Halfbacks Joe Addison and Joe Markus plus fullback Tony Jordan all return to lend their thump. Ken Miller will again serve as the tight end, while Mike Muha will take his tackle station once more. Keith Hugger and Dave Debish figure to split the split end duties, while Glenn Marrus will probably team with Miller. Mike Gasparino, George Boath, and John Miltenis should be the guards, with Mike Ludwig over the ball.

Over on defense, the ends are in good hands as Pete Rostosky and John Dorsey return to their starting posts. Ditto at tackle where Steve Michalewicz and Jerry Modugno are back for more duty. Dewey Raymond will be the noseguard again. Jim Barrrett and Matt Donovan head up the linebacking, while Fred Markland returns as the safety. Jerry Ingram, Mike Harkins, John Fodor, and Luis Daiz will work in the secondary with Markland.

The kicking game will be a new one, but Nadzak has hopes for Hugger to do the punting and either Neil Gauvin or Joe Levanto to handle the place-kicking chores.

Depth could be the Nutmeggers' biggest headache, but if Nadzak can keep his troops healthy, the UConns should make a solid run for the Yankee crown.

MASSACHUSETTS

Defense was the focal point of coach Bob Pickett's 1980 Minutemen, who led the nation (I-AA) in total defense and ranked fifth against the pass, fourth against the run, third in scoring.

Linebacker Pete DiTommaso, a co-captain leads another solid platoon. He'll have crack tackles in returnees Dan Petrie and Eric Cregan. Both are sizable. Scott Rose will start again at middle guard, with Ray Benoit backing him. George Lewis returns at one end, while such vets as Joe Graham and Todd Comeau team with him. Scott Crowell will help DiTommaso at linebacking. They're both crackerjacks. Bill Schipani and Steve Foreman are ex-

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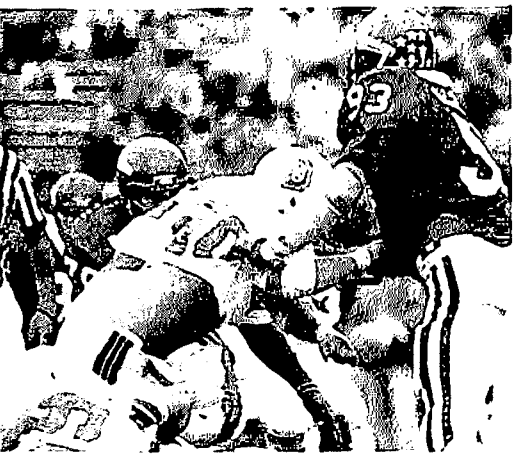
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perienced backers, too. In the deep court, Dwayne Lopes is back at one corner. He picked off five last fall. He'll team with Max Jones again. Pete Spadafora returns at strong safety. Grady Fuller and Jim Rice also have experience.

Offensively, Garry Pearson returns at tailback for his senior year. He became only the second player in UMass history to rush for 1,000 yards. He also motored for 15 TD's. Tom Murray or Harold Chaney will handle fullback, with Rich Jenkins supplying reserve strength. Dean Pecevich took over at QB late in the season and he'll be the one to beat. He'll get an argument from Barrett McGrath and Tom Sweeney.



Chris Lindstrom anchors the front line for Boston University defense.

The receiving should be exceptional. Mike Stone and Kevin Jackson have good hands and experience, while Jim Ryan averaged 22.2 yards with each catch. The tight end will be split between Asa Hilliard and Jay Caraviello. The OL returns as a solid unit. Center Vic Pizzotti will snap the ball, flanked by guards Jerry Gordon and Scott LaFond and tackles Tony Pasquale and Chris O'Neil. Others who'll fight for jobs are guard Mike Chuma and Joe Gamache. They started some early games. Punter Ray Larnard returns, as does place-kicker Herb Newland.

UMass won seven of ten games last fall, but was just eight points away from an unbeaten campaign. It just missed the Yankee title, but Pickett's goal this fall is to get back into the throne room. With that rugged defense and Pearson healthy, he's got a great shot.

BOSTON U.

Co-captains Jim Patrick and Rick Continelli will lead the Terriers' charge this fall as BU attempts to gain its third straight Yankee Conference crown. There are 16 starters among the 22 lettermen who'll greet coach Rick Taylor. He takes a 26-14-1 record into his fifth season. He must find a QB to replace the gifted Jim Jensen, who took the Terriers to the undisputed Yankee title last fall, after sharing it the previous season.

Jim English, a frosh, and soph Alan Arison, who sat out last year, are being tabbed to direct the BU attack. The entire OL returns, except at center, and this should be the strength of the Terriers. Mike Mastrogiacomo will team with Patrick again at guard, while Bob Speight and Steve Herzog return at tackle. Scott Phinney, two-year tight end starter, also is back. He can block as well as catch. Ken Green shapes up as the other end, with Gregg Drew again serving as the tailback. Courtney McLaughlin and Dave Rutherford will divide fullback duties.

Defensively, Ted Grabowski and Reggie Robinson once more will handle the ends, while Chris Lindstrom returns at one tackle, with Jim Rahilly probably moving up to team with him. Continelli heads up a solid corps of linebackers. Other starters returning are Howie Hawkins and Jeff Kirsch, with Tom Krasco in reserve. Starters Rich Coppola and Al DeLuca return to the deep secondary. Ace place-kicker Jeff Pelin is back to break more Terrier marks.

All in all, Taylor looks like he'll be able to have the Terriers up in the thick of the title fight if he can solve his quarterback situation.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Veteran Bill Bowes, with 26 lettermen returning, hopes to employ his big, talented offensive line as the catalyst for another winning Wildcat campaign. Tackles Jim Fitzgerald and Ken Kaplan, both 6-5, 260, are two of the best at their jobs in New England. They're the bookends of an offensive front that should supply plenty of escort service. Joe LaCasse, John Haggerty, and Greg Stilphen are solid guards, while Tom McCann will again be over the ball. Veteran Mike Porter could win a guard post.

Bowes likes to run the football, and his workhorse, Jim Quinn, returns. Explosive tailback Curt Collins, who can also catch and return kicks, plus full John Nocera are both healthy. QB Denis Stevens is ready for his senior campaign, with Chris Collins, an accurate short passer, backing him up.

Place-kicker Rusty Foster and punter Tom Calkins return to take care of these two important chores. Tight end Paul Gorham gained valuable experience as a frosh, while halfbacks Dave Kass and Mark Nichols will supply depth.

Defensively, Mike Gooden and Pete Bergeron pace a solid safety crew, with Brian Clark ready to join 'em in the secondary. Steve Doig spearheads the linebackers. Also returning after 1980 injuries is Al Souza. Dom Lamarra is a solid hitter. Others who've earned their spurs are Ron MacDonald and Chris Pinter. Up front, only Joe Clement returns as a regular. Mark Brady and Tom Sussman will be pushing for starting jobs, while Keven Murphy has been moved from the linebacking corps to bolster the frontier.

A solid recruiting year should help Bowes and New Hampshire garner their eighth straight winning season.

RHODE ISLAND

Though the Rams have won only three games during the last two seasons, those close to the program are beginning to see the light at the end of the tunnel. There are 36 lettermen available for coach Bob Griffin, and he's encouraged that things are looking up. Last year's leading rusher, Jon Rodgers, returns. He'll be backed up by Cal Whitfield, switched over from defense.

The QB situation is up for grabs. Terry Lynch, who started last fall, will have to outbattle transfers Dave Grimsich and Dave Wienke. Three-year letterman Joe Brooks can handle the fullback chores, though he had surgery in the spring. Fabian Flori and Steve Caizzi back him up. The tight end will be cared for nicely by John Tolento and Steve Morris. Center Bob Soderland and guard Bill Bonitati will anchor the line. Rich Pelzer and Keith Ring may start at tackle, though John Ellis and Kevin Killian will argue. Tom Mut and Clark Lamboy are the best of the wide-outs, though T.J. DelSanto, Jim Adams, and transfer Doug Dobbs expect to log playing time.

Defensively, a pair of switches should bolster the situation. Tackle Barney Rinaldi will move to noseguard with McPhillips stepping in at tackle from his ex-linebacking role. Dave Conlin, Tony DeLuca, and Al Jennings all have a shot at a starting post. The ends are tough. Dennis Talbot and Tony Romaniello return as two of New England's best. Gil Rishton and Paul Hitt supply plenty of linebacking hit, while the secondary looks solid, with three starters—Tony Johnson, Hollis Chapman, and Joe Ptaszek—all back. And Jim Roberson, a starter in 1979, returns after missing 1980 with injuries.

Two-year letter-winner Ralph Guerriero will be back to handle all the kicking chores. Steve Caizzi can also boot. The slate has been stiffened with Boise State, Delaware, and Florida A&M having been added. One of the keys to the season, apparently, will be how quickly Griffin will be able to assimilate his talented new recruits into the program. If they come quickly, the Rams won't be the butt of many jokes.

MAINE

Ron Rogerson, an assistant at Delaware, returns to his alma mater to take over as head coach for the departed Jack Bicknell, now at Boston College. Ron will install the wing-T, which the Black Bears first ran when Dave Nelson was the head coach before he moved on to Delaware. Lorenzo Bouier, who rushed for 1,622 yards, a New England record, returns to lead the attack. He set a Maine mark of 302 yards in one game. Halfback Pete Ouellette, at home in a broken field, will team with bulldozer Bouier. Matt Bennett and Steve McCue plus John Nockett, Paul Memmo, and Scott Patterson will supply the depth. Kevin Tarr could share kick-return duties with Ouellette.

Passing is a question mark. Mike Beahchemin, healthy again, and Neil Kelleher will be the top candidates for QB. Dave Rebholz, who underwent knee surgery, could be ready to go again. The tight end spot will be cared for by Ray Sullivan, with Jim Cervone, Matt Walsh, and Lance Osojnicki doing the split receiving. Three holes were left in the OL by graduation. The tackles could be John Hodgkins and Alan Peterson, with Barry Buckley, Dan McClung, and Mike Jenoski fighting for the guard slots. Steve Keating must fight off ex-tackle Paul Hughes for the center berth.

On defense, there are seven starters back. These are led by end Phil Ferrari, who had 109 stops last fall, noseguard Ryck Suydam, who had 96 tackles and 10 sacks, and tackle Tom Loughlin. Other ends will be Ken Paul, Tom Ellison, and John Shea. Tackle support will come from Ted Venechanos, Jim Farley, and Tom Doyle. The linebacking needs seasoning, but if it comes fast, so will the Bears. Bob Lucy, John Herson, Jeff Shain, Don Payne, and Chuck Deluga all have potential. The deep backs are set, as corners Matt Downey and John Chisholm return for their third campaigns and safeties Matt Slane and Ray Thombs are set for more duty. Punting again will be in the hands of the capable Dave Nardone, while Bob Caito returns to place-kick.

New coach Rogerson has his work cut out, but key Yankee Conference clashes take place on his home soil. That could help build the Bears a winning season.

LITTLE THREE

WESLEYAN

There are 17 starters returning to veteran coach Bill MacDermott, whose Cardinals finished strong with a 5-3 mark. This year's potentially strong contingent will be led by a pair of defensive co-captains: linebacker Bill Post and end Bob Marraffa.

The quarterback is seasoned. He's Gary Perella, who knows MacDermott's multiple-I system. Pat Costello returns as a quality running back. Mike Whalen is a crack center. MacDermott feels that if he can keep his Cards healthy, they could soar a notch or two, and even capture the Little Three crown.

WILLIAMS

Bob Odell and Little Three titles have been a way of life since the former Penn All-America took over the Ephmen a decade ago. Eight crowns and two three-way deadlocks in ten seasons with Odell at the helm is about as perfect as any coach can get. But Bob will have to rebuild the defensive backfield and linebacking spots for the Ephs to repeat. Possible fill-ins in the secondary include Ricky Versace and Bill Curcio at linebacker, plus Tom Alejandro in the safety slot.

Sean Crotty, a soph, could be the new fullback, who'll team with such seasoned QB's as Paul Bossidy, Rob Connolly, John Lawler, and Scott Garabedian. The line has experience, especially on defense where Joe Ross, Steve Doherty, John Kowalik, Mike Hawkins, Gary Pfaff, Tom Bouchard, Dan Finneran, and Rob Roberto still roam. Captain-elect Jeff Kiesel will lead the team from the defensive backfield.

Overall, Odell must fill a good many gaping holes, but with his tremendous Little Three record, he'll probably find the needed parts.

AMHERST

Jim Ostendarp, with 105 wins under his Lord Jeff belt, returns for his 23rd season at Amherst, hoping to improve on last year's 2-6 record. "It'll be a rebuilding year," says the Darp.

The offense has some solid skilled people back, including tight end Dana King, who caught 16 passes last fall; QB Brian Curran, who clicked on 50 passes, with Mark Vendetti as his backup. Also, there are such seasoned running backs as Jeff Hughes, John Hess, and Dave Grenier. None are too big but they can all scoot. Up front, captain Kelly Millet will snap the ball again, with Mike Vendetti at home at either tackle or guard.

The defense must be rebuilt, though the ends are strong, thanks to the return of Bob Waegelin and Alan Davis. Jim Scheidegger and Ben Curran will handle two down posts, with Bob Emery the only seasoned member of the deep secondary.

OTHER INDEPENDENTS

AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL

Bob Burke has 14 returning starters back from his 8-2 squad of last fall, all of which indicates that another winning campaign—six in a row—is in the works.

Co-captain Brian McLean and Bob Poirier will pace the Jackets into combat. McLean tossed for 1,070 yards in eight games last fall before suffering a knee hurt. He threw for ten TD's. If healthy, he'll direct another solid attack. Poirier, a starting corner, was around the ball all season. The defense looks solid.

Working with McLean in moving the football will be fullback Kevin Johnson, John Rollins, Mario Mercadante, Mark Walker, and John Oglesby. If Johnson stays at halfback, look for John Patz to do the bucking. Split end Fred Papale led the pass-catchers and returns, along with John Vernon. Mark Duclos moves in at tight end, switching from defense. The OL will have to be remade. Ed Rakus and Bob Jones return and will be blended in with center Mike Brawn, Pat Halpin, and Ron Therrien.

Defensively, Poirier and Kevin Pena return at corner. Matt Allen and Mike Chaput have the inside track at safety. The ends are vets. Todd Scyocurka and Paul Gregory are set to do the job at the flanks. Juniors Mike Rattley and Paul Thompson are the tackles, with Jim Collins and John Norris vying for noseguard. Rich Penny and Andy Cohen are a pair of solid linebackers. Penny missed last year due to injury, after starting the year before. Craig Simpson and Matt Ferrera lend depth.

The kicking game is in veteran hands, as Jim Raymond and Dave Texiera share the placement work and Steve Rapuano is ready to punt once more. In summation, the Jackets should be charging toward another fine season.

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT

Veteran Bill Loika has some rebuilding ahead with the Blue Devils, who hope to bounce back from a soft 3-7 season. If QB Mark Huepler has recovered from his knee problems, CC will be well on its way back up the ladder. Top rushers Ted Stoneburner and Shawn Talbot return, while on defense such beefy linemen as Joe Costello, Steve Addazio, and Kevin Cook are still available. If Huepler is healthy, the Devils should play .500 ball or a trifle better.

COAST GUARD

Despite a 2-8 season last fall, coach Larry Rutledge sees better days ahead. He has a nucleus of ten starters returning, though the QB spot is wide-open.

Doug Blakemore and John Hurlburt are exceptional receivers, with Rich Gromlich returning to tight end. Gromlich can punt, too. Tom Atkin is an outstanding offensive tackle, who can dig out holes for tri-captain Dan McClellan, Dan Carboni, and Brian Musselman—three experienced ball-toters. Senior John Early, who missed the 1980 season due to injury, will add depth to the running back corps.

Defensively, tackle Ed Greiner and end Steve Tarantino are solid performers. Both are seniors. Bob Clarke is being moved across the scrimmage line to shore up the other defensive tackle. The linebacking looks sharp, with Bill Raicks and Bill McMeekin, the other tri-captains. McMeekin led in tackles with 98. The secondary is keyed by Mickey Schoenauer and Mark Butt. Chris Hall is a crack place-kicker, and Jim Rendon a kick-return specialist.

Depth makes the overall picture brighter, with a .500 season a distinct possibility.

GETTYSBURG

Barry Streeter finally produced the Bullets' first winning campaign since 1969 last fall, and now that he's been able to turn things around, look for more success in the future. The quarterback situation is uncertain, though Brett Gipe, Tony Pasi, and Joe Carney are talented. The rest of the offense looks set. Mike Ercole, Paul Rosengrant, Pete Draovitch, and Scott Lando can run the ball, with Pat Lubin at right end. Scott Dudak will be the full. Scott Stanley and Steve Rand are experienced wide-outs, with guards John DeWan and Rich Sadlock flanking center Gary Kopervas.

Defensively, Gettysburg has 10 of 11 starters back. Tony Pierce, Jim Bogorowski, and Mark Cavallero will handle the deep spots, with the linebacking situation in the good hands of Dave Gretzky, Carl Comasco, and Jim Romanik. Al Mantz and Dave Posey man the flanks, with Randy Stone, Harry Cooper, and Joe Seygal handling the down positions. Hayes Reilly, Jim Miller, and John Takacs are also experienced backers.

Streeter's Bullets look like they're ready to hit a winning bull's eye again.

HOFSTRA

After a solid 8-2 record last fall, Bill Leete left the Hofstra coaching ranks for the AD's chair at New Haven and was replaced by Mickey Kwiatkowski, who's had a broad base of experience and is well versed in the wing-T offense. He should turn in a solid job with the Dutchmen. His running attack is first-rate, for such experienced toters as Jim Watson, Frank Bianchini, Andy Arenth, and Tim Vuolo return. Top passer George Muller has departed, but Mike Welt or Pat O'Connor will be called on to pick up the slack. They have some top targets back in Frank Albi, Bianchini, Watson, and Dwayne Lockamy.

Defensively, linebacker Gerry Brannigan and end Pete Garcia are the top tacklers back. Tackle Chuck Choinski is solid, while such deep backs as Len Sinisgalli and John Diveris have experience. Kevin Donovan will back up the line with Brannigan. The schedule looks tailor-made for another big year.

NORTHEASTERN

Paul Pawlak is the new man at Northeastern. The former Cornell and UMass aide and Tufts head coach has taken over a 2-9 team that lost several heartbreakers last fall. About 40 veterans return, offering a deep nucleus.

Filling QB Allen Deary's big brogans, however, won't be easy. He's the all-time leading Huskie signal-caller. The job could go to Kirk McMahon or Gregg Prebles, a pair of sophs, or to junior Fred Beissner or the less experienced Dave Eberhart. Pawlak will operate out of a Pro-I. Bill LaFreniere, super pass-grabber, returns. He caught 42 for 882 yards last fall, including eight TD's. Other solid targets will be Mal Jones, plus tight ends Mark O'Brien and Shaheed Turner. Derrick Walker is up from the frosh with potential. Tailback Clint Mitchell, who gained almost half the yardage rushing last fall, retuns and will team with Mike Battle and Rob Uhlman. The OL is young, though guards Chuck Lavrentios and Carl Jenkins, center Bill Sullivan, and tackle Eric Moore have had experience.

The defense must be rebuilt, for it gave up 33 ppg last year. Up front end Carmine DelTrecco, tackle Rich Zieja, and noseguard Keith Ruffler earned their spurs. Keith Willis, a crack tackle, comes back after sitting out a year. John Morrissey and Ray Nichols will back up the forwards with gusto. Lazaro Mitjans and Mike Genetti start again in the deep secondary. Brian Snow, who needs only one more field goal to set a Huskie record, is back to do the place-kicking, while Prebles again will punt.

Overall, it appears as though Pawlak will have to brew a considerable amount of magic in his first season to elevate the Huskies to the .500 mark.

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SPRINGFIELD

Ranked No. 1 among Eastern division-II elevens last fall, coach Howard Vandersea's squad has lifted its sights this fall to include an NCAA postseason playoff berth.

Back again to run the show is QB Jim Collis. Some experts call the senior southpaw the most complete QB in the East. He's directed the Chiefs to consecutive 8-2, 7-2 marks, passing for a dozen TD's last year and rambling for six more. John Vella, a former high school teammate, from Herkimer, N.Y., will again be his favorite receiver. Vella caught 30 last fall. A good share of the line returns, including tackle Bob Inteman and guard Ray Handy, along with pivot Dick Sheehan. Vandersea likes his offensive backfield. Besides Collis, there's fullback Scott Bird and running backs John Giusti and Mark Lewis. Another top runner is junior John Cocca, who'll be moved from QB to beef up the running back corps, as will soph Joe Pingatore.

Defensively, six starters are back paced by linebacker John Richardson and tackle Tony Green, who also punted. The secondary looks solid, with Dennis Parent and Paul Ferraro returning at the safety slots. Doug Culver and Tim Murphy will be the newcomers who'll help plug the linebacking holes.

It's a solid picture for the experienced Chiefs, with luck and no injuries needed to give them an opportunity at a perfect season.

TRINITY

The Bantams cranked out a glorious 7-1 season last fall, laying claim to the New England division-III title. Another solid unit is in prospect this year.

Bob Reading is a crafty, veteran receiver, while Peter Martin, a good rusher, returns at QB. Bill Holden will be the fullback again. He averaged 81.3 yards per game rushing and will team with Mike Elia, an experienced ball-toter who tallied nine TD's last fall. Other experienced backs are Tom Clemmenson and Pat Lyle, with Justin George, John Josel, and Dom Rapini all returning as starters up front.

On the other side of the ball, coach Don Miller has Bill Schaufler to back up the line as well as punt. Bill, the team's top tackler, will also serve as the 1981 field captain. Nick Bordieri returns as an outstanding defensive half and punt returner, while Joe Penella will plug the middle as a noseguard. Other returning starters on "D" will be end John Lemonick, tackle Pete Smialek, linebackers Jim Myers and Adam Guzik, and DB's Mike Tucci and Steve Mongillo.

Miller looks like he's got the team sailing along successfully in the right direction.

PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE

WESTERN DIVISION

CLARION

(5-1, 9-2) The Golden Eagles were the conference champions and the ECAC Division II team of the year in 1980. With 15 starters back, they should be strong again. Leading the returnees are All-America tight end Gary McCauley (6-4, 215), who caught 55 passes for 624 yards, and split end Bob Betts, who had 37 receptions. Quarterback Bob Beatty is gone, but coach Al Jacks (122-41-5) is confident that Dave Dragovich or Dave Lammers can step right in. Hard-hitting safety Todd Scott will head a veteran defensive platoon. The major problem will be in replacing three-time All-America kicker Bill May.

INDIANA

(3-3, 6-4) Coach Owen Dougherty lost only eight players to graduation, but all were standouts. The big question mark is at quarterback where sophomore Scott McGuigan (6-4, 200) will attempt to connect with fleet targets Stan Betters and Roger Henderson. Linebacker Terry Carroll had 142 tackles last season and is one of the PC's best defensive players. Hopes for a more potent ground game rest with Jeff Heath and Kenny Moore, the latter a two-way performer.

SHIPPENSBURG

(3-2-1, 5-4-1) A total of 40 Raider lettermen are back but ten starters are gone, including a quartet of first-team all-conference choices. Rebuilding an offensive line that helped produce 323 yards per game will be the number one task for coach Vito Ragazzo. The offensive backfield should be solid with quarterback Tim Ebersole and running backs Dave Friese (727 yards) and Tom Sloan. Outstanding kickers Scott Benjamin (40.0 yards per punt) and Jeff Auker (52 points place-kicking) both return. Ed Tom Betz will be the leader on defense.

EDINBORO

(3-2-1, 6-2-1) Coach Denny Creehan's Fighting Scots lost just two games a year ago and beat PC champion Clarion, 13-10. The team will be weak at the offensive skill positions, but the line returns almost intact. Top linemen are guard Tom Kisiday (6-0, 200) and tight end Bill Maturcak (6-3, 205). Linebackers Bob Cicerchi, the team leader in tackles with 126, and Chris Pera will anchor the defensive platoon. Adding offensive punch will be PK Rich Ruszkiewicz

SLIPPERY ROCK

(3-3, 4-5) Even with 41 lettermen back, the Rock must come up with some offense to complement tailback Rick Porter, who rushed for 1,043 yards in 1980. Graduation claimed the productive right side of the offensive line. Defensively, the Rockets will depend on down linemen Gary Hunt (5-11, 210) and John Dahlstrand (6-1, 205) and cornerback Tony Emanuele. The Rock will open the season in Michigan Stadium, where one of its 1979 games drew more than 60,000 fans. The opponent this time will be Wayne State for a September 12 lid-lifter.

CALIFORNIA

(1-5, 2-8) Jeff Petrucci, who led Cal State to a conference co-championship in 1968 from his quarterback post, has taken over as head coach. Petrucci's goal is to produce the school's first winning football season since 1970. His task is far from hopeless with 40 lettermen returning. The best are quarterback Chuck Colborn and All-PC tailback Ken Wysocki. A replacement must be found on defense for four-year starting linebacker Bill Seidel, the school's all time leader in tackles.

LOCK HAVEN

(2-4, 5-5) The Bald Eagles slipped into the pack last season after winning the 1979 conference title. Now nine starters are gone including 1,000-yard rusher Joe Speese. Coach Jack Fisher is expected to have his team take to the air behind quarterback Ben Pavalko. The return of swift flanker Bob Lynn, who missed the 1980 season with an injury, should help. Two-time All-PC Dave Zielinskie and Tony Garzione lead one of the circuit's top defensive secondaries.

MILLERSVILLE

(4-1, 6-2-1) The Marauders may have the best two quarterbacks in the league this season in sophomore Luther Roberts and transfer John Lebo from Penn State. Coach Gene Carpenter must develop running backs to balance his offense, however. Gone is ECAC Division II Player of the Year Rob Riddick, who gained 1,100 yards. There is maturity on the offensive line with tackle George Schmidt (6-3, 240), guard Scott Baer (6-2, 230), and center Mark Udovich. Leading the defense will be end Randy Reid and noseguard Steve Sudak.

KUTZTOWN

(4-1, 6-5) The Golden Bears played in the State Game for the conference championship for the first time last season, bowing to Clarion, 15-14. A return is possible, but coach George Baldwin must replace pro-style fullback Don Shaver, his entire offensive line, and leading receiver Willie Roman. The offense will revolve around quarterback Greg Gristick, who passed for 1,203 yards and was named the ECAC Division II Rookie of the Year. Nearly the entire defense returns, including top defensive backs Bernie Nowotarski and Mike Riley.

EAST STROUDSBURG

(4-1, 6-4) The Warriors may have to rely on their defense to keep them in games this season. Eight defensive starters are back, headed by All-Conference tackle Bill Brown (6-4, 240) and end Steve Haurey. Mike Reichenbach and Scott Fuhrman are both quality linebackers. Coach Denny Douds (53-15-1) has lost players in all the skilled positions on offense. The team's top offensive weapon may be kicker Scott Taylor, 35 for 36 on extra points with 17 field goals the last two years.

BLOOMSBURG

(1-4, 1-8) The Huskies hope to get some help for quarterback Kurt Werkheiser this season. Werkheiser led the division in passing with 10.2 completions per game. His leading target is expected to be tight end Mike Blake. Steve Meszaros is counted on to put life in the team's running attack. The defense will be built around strong safety Brian Greenberg, second in tackles last year with 94.

MANSFIELD

(1-4, 2-7) The Mounties have their most experienced squad in years. Almost the entire offense returns, including quarterback Dan Jones, running back Troy Fisher, wide receiver Dave Zubia, and All-PC guard Mark Traister (6-1, 230). Linebacker is the team's strong suit on defense with Steve Radocaj (6-1, 215), an All-PC and All-ECAC choice in 1980. Coach Joe Bottiglieri's goal is to move his team into the top three in the division.

CHEYNEY

(1-4, 4-5-1) After winning the Eastern Division title in 1979, the Wolves were plagued by injuries last year and were never in contention. Coach Andy Hinson, beginning his 27th season as a collegiate head coach, has a major rebuilding job to do. He is counting on quarterback Pedro Berry and running back Mark Johnson to carry the main offensive burden. Split end Garry Williams is a fine receiver. The key player on defense will be end John Leach.

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Enrollment sites of the most decorated players in the Big Eight Conference suggest change. The most heralded running backs play at Iowa State and Kansas. Kansas also has the most talked-about quarterback. The returning defensive player of the year is a linebacker at Oklahoma State, where it is said his rival for supremacy is the linebacker who plays beside him.

The presence of tailback Dwayne Crutchfield at Iowa State, halfback Kerwin Bell (if, as indicated, he returns from a disciplinary suspension) and quarterback Frank Seurer at Kansas, and Ricky Young and Mike Green at Oklahoma State may be proof that Oklahoma and Nebraska have not monopolized the 1981 market on stars. But Oklahoma and Nebraska still have more good players, and stars, and should continue to monopolize the championship race they have won or shared every year since 1961.

The Sooners qualify as heavy favorites to win their tenth consecutive title after annexing No. 9 in a regrouping year when they broke in new running backs and awaited the arrival of a fascinating group of sophomore defenders.

When Nebraska, with one of its best teams, failed to topple the Sooners last year, it was widely agreed that the Big Eight missed the best chance it would have for a while to check Oklahoma's chain of championships. Although Oklahoma is probably one year away from vintage form, the Sooners might be out of reach because Nebraska must rebuild its backfield and play the Sooners at Norman. Every other team looks too shallow to contend.

PREDICTIONS

BIG EIGHT CONFERENCE
1. Oklahoma, 2. Nebraska, 3. Missouri,
4. (tie) Iowa State and Kansas,
6. Oklahoma State, 7. Colorado,
8. Kansas State

MISSOURI VALLEY
1. Tulsa, 2. Wichita, 3. Indiana State,
4. West Texas, 5. New Mexico State,
6. Drake, 7. Southern Illinois,
8. Illinois State

The only reservation about Oklahoma involves the use of an inexperienced quarterback to direct a seasoned wishbone. Kelly Phelps, considered the heir apparent last year, and Darrell Shepard, who catapulted into contention in spring practice, are very fast and superb mechanically. But until one of them demonstrates under fire the poise, toughness, and chemistry Oklahoma has come to expect from its quarterbacks, the Sooners can not be called unbeatable.

How high they deserve to rate on the national charts may be determined in the second game, when they play at Southern California. Their backfield, though thin, features halfback Buster Rhymes, a big, tall rocket who averaged 7.7 yards per carry as a freshman. He helped Oklahoma win the showdown with Nebraska on a fourth quarter home run. Fullback Stanley Wilson is also superb. They will run behind a deluxe line.

Oklahoma's defense will depend on sophomores. Four may start. But they are exceptional, even by Oklahoma's standards. Already Thomas Benson and Jackie Shipp are being compared with Oklahoma's greatest linebackers. They were conservation topics last year when the Sooners rallied from early losses to Stanford and Texas and concluded the season with a thrilling comeback against Florida State in the Orange Bowl to finish No. 3 in the polls.

It was Oklahoma's fourth straight appearance in the Orange Bowl, which has a tie-in with the Big Eight. "I think we will be back next year," coach Barry Switzer said at the awards banquet. At a sobering point in spring practice, when injuries and a lack of scrimmage precluded the quarterback development he sought, Switzer said, "This is the poorest spring we've ever had. But we've got ability and ought to be a good team."

Nebraska is also unsettled at quarterback, thin at running back, and faces a difficult non-conference schedule. But the Cornhuskers have a quality runner in Roger Craig and the heart of a defense that was the Big Eight's best in 1980.

While the Cornhuskers may not match their quality of last year, when they smashed Mississippi State, 31-17, in the Sun Bowl and finished No. 7 in the polls, coach Tom Osborne said, "We expect to have a team that will compete for the conference championship."

End Jimmy Williams is the leader and his brother Toby is a tackle on the defense that Osborne said "will have to carry us early" until he decides on the more seasoned Mark Mauer or the more gifted Turner Gill at quarterback.

Missouri, unable to rise above third with seven all-conference selections, faces extensive rebuilding. The Tigers' key question also involves quarterback, where Phil Bradley left record-setting shoes to fill. But coach Warren Powers likes the speed and size of his new team. The Tigers, with a solid defensive line, may be the best of four teams that seemingly could finish sixth or third.

Kansas, last year's surprise fourth-place finisher, returns only six starters besides Bell, the sophomore flier who rushed for 1,114 yards last year, and Seurer, the gifted sophomore passer and Bell's high school classmate and close friend. Coach Don Fambrpugh suspended Bell the final week of spring practice after he missed several workouts. Fambrough said he could rejoin the Jayhawks "when he convinces me he wants to play football and get an education." Bell said he had personal problems, unrelated to football, would remain in school, and hoped to rejoin the team.

Iowa State surrounds the burly Crutchfield, who led the Big Eight in rushing with 1,312 yards, with the conference's most experienced lineup. But the Cyclones do not have Kansas's passing to assure balance. They hoped to develop it. They have the most favorable home schedule of all the teams chasing third.

Oklahoma State has the least favorable home schedule. The Cowboys do not play a conference home game until November and play all of their third-place rivals on the road. A disappointing fifth last year, the Cowboys changed the emphasis of their offense from passing to running. Their defensive line looks vulnerable. But third-year coach Jimmy Johnson said, "This will be our best team." He calls Young, named conference defender of the year in one poll, and Green, more ferocious and reckless than Young, "the best pair of linebackers on any team in the country."

The Big Eight has had a surprise team in each of the last three years: Kansas State in 1978, Oklahoma State in 1979, and Kansas in 1980. Colorado might be such a team this year. If the Buffaloes tighten their embarrassingly weak defense, they could vault to the level of Iowa State, Kansas, and Oklahoma State—or beyond.

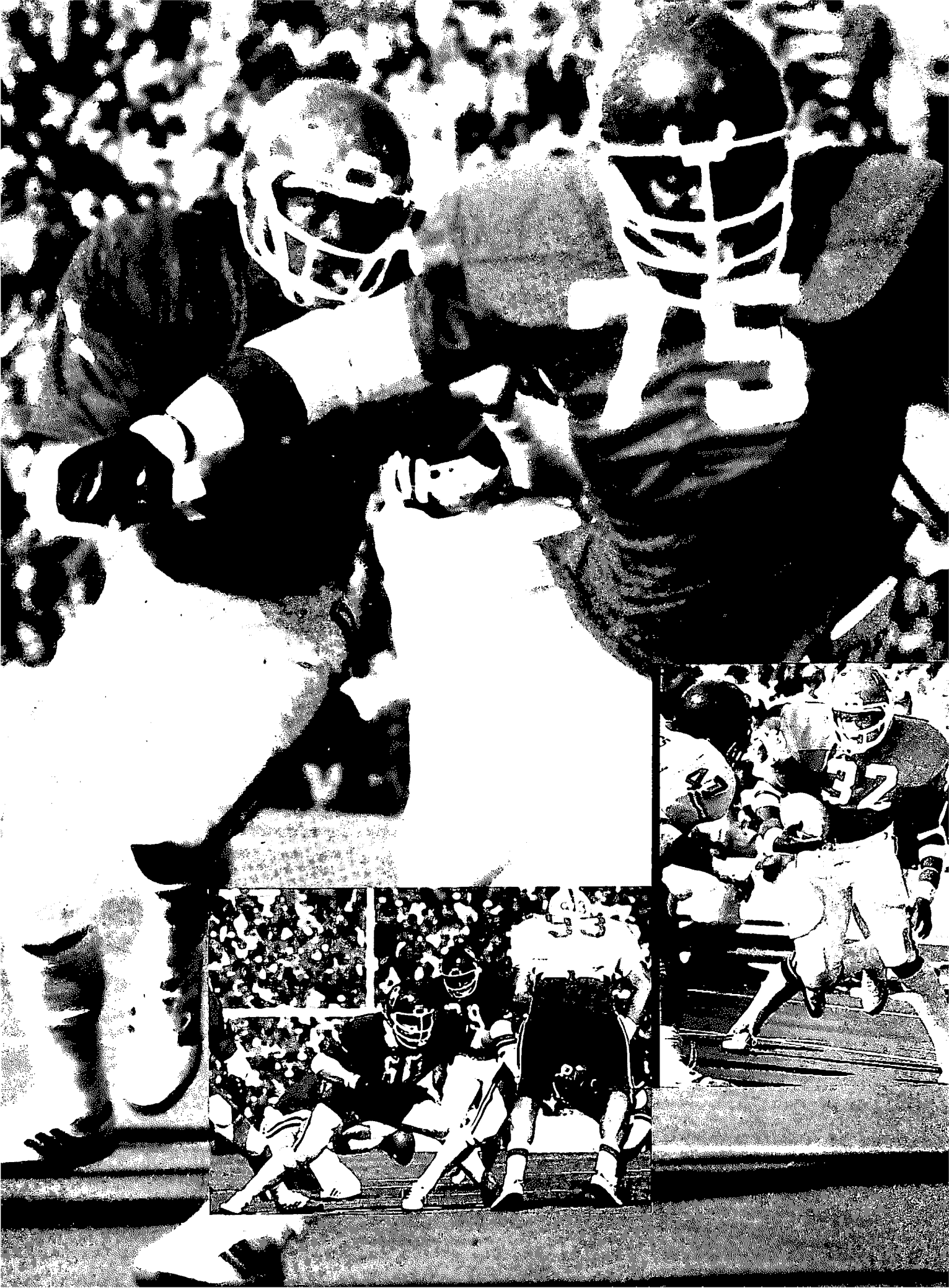
In Chuck Fairbanks's third season, Colorado, though sophomoric, has the potential to be respectable on offense. At worst, the Buffs seem likely to vacate the cellar they shared last year with Kansas State.

K-State, weaker on defense than a year ago and still critically short of speed on offense, is likely to have exclusive use of the cellar this season.

In the Missouri Valley Conference, where transfers and injuries make change an annual routine, Tulsa is favored to repeat the championship it won last year, thanks to a late-season dive by Wichita. The Hurricane, which in recent years stressed defense and conservative running, plans to pass more because of Kenny Jackson, perhaps the best of the area's



Sooner boomers: OG Terry Crouch (#75), FB Stanley Wilson (#32), OG Don Kay (#60), and MG Johnnie Lewis (#95) propel Oklahoma.





Running back Roger Craig (above) paces offense and end Jimmy Williams (below) defense for the Cornhuskers.

established quarterbacks. A taxing nonconference schedule and a rebuilt defense concern Tulsa.

Scheduling might be a factor in determination of the championship. Tulsa does not play new member Illinois State. Wichita and Indiana State, the other contenders, play a full, seven-game schedule. But four of Tulsa's six Valley games are at home. West Texas, a perennial surprise, Drake, and New Mexico State appear a level behind. Southern Illinois and Illinois State figure to battle for seventh place.

There are no new coaches in the Big Eight or among the Valley's 1980 members. Bob Otolski begins his first year at Illinois State.

In a year when outstanding quarterbacks and seniors are in short supply, the most qualified candidates for All-America are Crutchfield, Bell, centers Brad Edelman of Missouri and Dave Rimington of Nebraska, and cornerback Darrell Songy and offensive guard Terry Crouch of Oklahoma.

BIG EIGHT CONFERENCE

OKLAHOMA

For the first time since the Sooners (10-2, 7-0) began their wishbone dynasty they failed in spring practice to establish a starting quarterback. Kelly Phelps (185), red-shirted in 1980 to make it posslible for the speedy junior to start two years, was handicapped by injuries; not his, but those of his teammates.

Thls created a shortage of able-bodied backs and restricted the Sooners to minimal scrimmages. This in turn precluded Phelps an opportunity to demonstrate under contact conditions he was what Barry Switzer envisioned. Under these limited conditions, Darrell Shepard (180), a senior heretofore viewed only as a backup, made such improvement in his mechanics and execution of the triple option that Switzer said, "It's a close race, almost even. We won't know until September who starts. I think we can win with either one, but I am disappointed we came out of spring practice not knowing who our starter would be."

Even when their quarterback was established, the Sooners have traditionally been sluggish starters. If having to evaluate quarterbacks in September means more than the usual raggedness and fumbling, Oklahoma's hopes of contending for the national championship might be dashed early. The Sooners play at Southern California in the second game, September 26.

Both Phelps and Shepard are faster than recent predecessors. But each, at best, has ordinary passing skills.

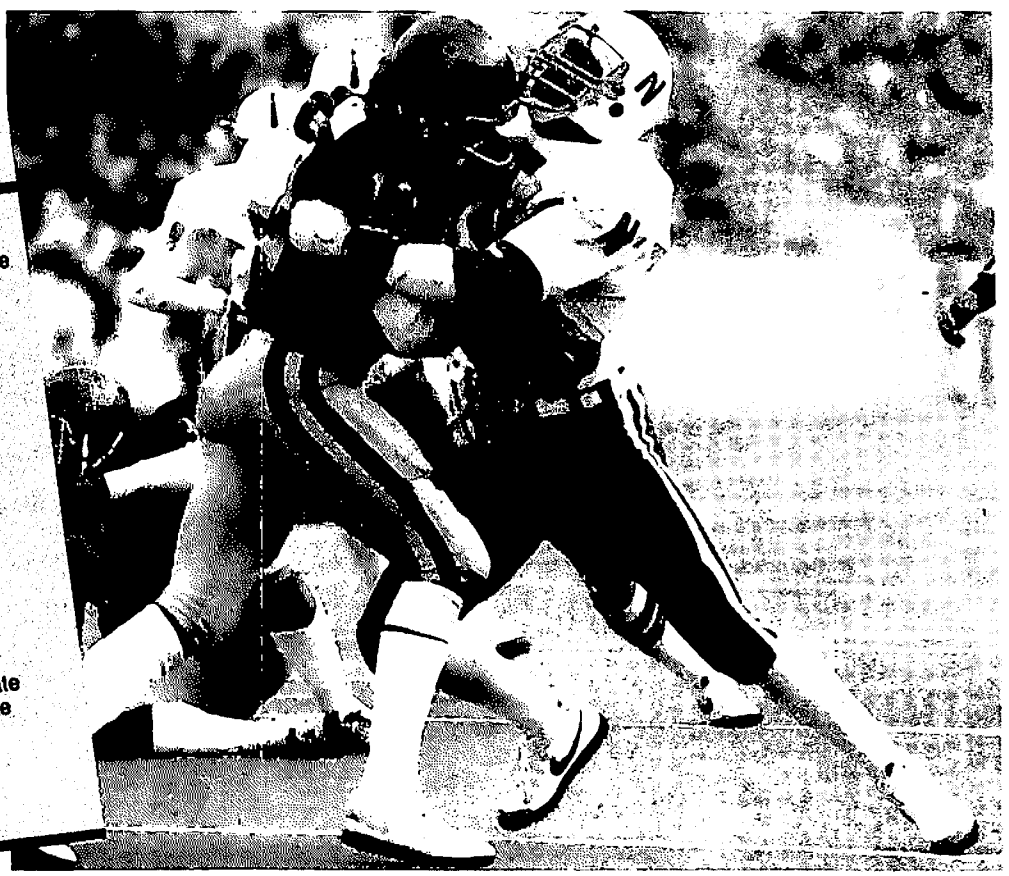
Whoever emerges No. 1 will command an offense that is proven everywhere except tight end. Spring experiments will continue into autumn. Mike Weddington (220), backup tight end in 1979 but a starter at defensive end last year, is a possibility. So is linebacker Mike Reilly (222). Lineman Paul Parker (265) was given a spring trial.

Halfback Buster Rhymes, who as a 195-pound freshman broke the long runs that carried Oklahoma to the Orange Bowl, expects to play at 220 without compromising his speed. He needed the weight to be an acceptable blocker.

Fullback Stanley Wilson (195) is the conference's leading returnee (656 yards) at his position. Halfback Chet Winters (192) lacks breakaway speed but is a fine inside runner. Willis Mackey (200), transfer from the University of Washington and out of one of the most heralded classes of freshmen backs Oklahoma ever recruited, will be counted on for depth.

They will operate behind a line that is Oklahoma's leading asset. All-America guard Terry Crouch (275) is not much, if at all, above the level of guard Don Key (250) and tackles Ed Culver (275) and Lyndle Byford (283). Center Bill Bechtold (242) and split end Bobby Grayson (170) start for the second year.

The Sooners are not nearly so settled on defense, where they have less experience but



1981 ALL-BIG EIGHT MISSOURI VALLEY TEAM

OFFENSE

Quarterback	Kenny Jackson	SR	Tulsa
Running Back	Dwayne Crutchfield	SR	Iowa State
Running Back	Kerwin Bell	SOPH	Kansas
Running Back	Buster Rhymes	SOPH	Oklahoma
Wide Receiver	Todd Brown	JR	Nebraska
Tight End	Andy Gibler	JR	Missouri
Tackle	Dan Hurley	SR	Nebraska
Tackle	Karl Nelson	JR	Iowa State
Guard	Terry Crouch	SR	Oklahoma
Guard	Don Key	JR	Oklahoma
Center	Brad Edelman	SR	Missouri
Place-kicker	Alex Gifford	JR	Iowa State

DEFENSE

End	Jimmy Williams	SR	Nebraska
End	Orlando Flanagan	SR	Oklahoma
Tackle	Henry Waechter	SR	Nebraska
Tackle	Bennie Smith	SR	Missouri
Noseguard	Johnnie Lewis	SR	Oklahoma
Linebacker	Ricky Young	SR	Oklahoma State
Linebacker	Mike Green	JR	Oklahoma State
Back	Darrell Songy	JR	Oklahoma
Back	Ric Lindquist	SR	Nebraska
Back	Kevin Potter	JR	Missouri
Back	John Arnaud	JR	Iowa State
Punter	Bucky Scribner	JR	Kansas

fascinating potential. Johnnie Lewis (240) is probably the Big Eight's best noseguard (260-pound backup John Blake might be the second-best). New tackles are Scott Dawson (250), long on savvy, and Ricky Bryan (250), an exceptional sophomore. Steve Whaley (214) and Orlando Flanagan (209), who was a smash after Weddington was injured last season, assure stability at end, regardless of where Weddington winds up. Reilly is also a possibility at end, believed to be his best position. Moving Reilly would allow Oklahoma to start both of its stunning sophomore linebackers, Thomas Benson (218) and Jackie Shipp (221), each of whom has halfback speed.

Cornerback Darrell Songy (185) is the only established member of the secondary. Though a junior, Songy is considered among the best ever to play his position at Oklahoma. Free safety Steve Haworth (175) and strong safety Gary Lowell (188) will start. The other cornerback will be injury-prone veteran Byron Paul (192) or will come from a fleet group of sophomores.

Switzer wants more consistency from kicker/punter, Michael Keeling.

NEBRASKA

Quarterback is the pressing problem for the Cornhuskers (10-2, 6-1), as it is for Oklahoma. Whether Tom Osborne, who has rarely had to worry about inexperience at any position, starts lightly-experienced senior Mark Mauer (191) or sophomore Turner Gill (185), or alternates them, may not be known until September.

Mauer was listed as No. 1 throughout spring practice, on the basis of his understanding of Osborne's system. Osborne might be reluctant to turn an otherwise solid-looking offense to a true sophomore. But Mauer does not have the quickness Osborne desires. Gill is exceptionally quick and has been a conversation topic at Lincoln since enrolling last year.

"We've never had five quarterbacks play as well as our five did this spring," Osborne said. "But we've also never had to start an inexperienced quarterback, and this year we have no choice."

Nebraska may not be in position to red-shirt Gill, as it traditionally does with its best sophomore quarterbacks. After being so deep and rich in running backs last year, the Cornhuskers are thin at tailback and suspect at fullback. This may make it impossible for them to do without Gill's big-play ability.

Tailback Roger Craig (202) rates with the Big Eight's best runners. Though a third-teamer last year, Craig was sixth nationally in scoring with 16 touchdowns (on only 108 carries), seventh in conference rushing with 769 yards, and averaged 7.1 yards per carry. But Osborne does not like his tailbacks to be workhorses. Nebraska seeks to keep them fresh by alternating two or three. But no suitable backup for Craig emerged in spring practice. Phil Bates (211), the ranking fullback, has less ability than Nebraska is accustomed to having at his position. Mike Rozier (190), a speedy junior-college transfer who will not report until August, is counted on to ease the problem.

The Cornhuskers are representative in the offensive line and at the receiver positions. Todd Brown (176), whose 28 receptions were tops among the Big Eight's returning receivers, is probably the best split end in the conference. Flanker Anthony Steels (185) is capable.

Dave Rimington (270) is "the best center we've ever had," Osborne said. Nebraska's staff claims Rimington is better than the more decorated Brad Edelman of Missouri. Tackles Randy Theiss (259) and Dan Hurley (271) started last year. Mike Mandelko (242) and Tom Carlstrom (275), moved from tackle, are the new guards.

The defensive line should be the Big Eight's best. End Jimmy Williams (232) should be a candidate for defender of the year. Tackles Henry Waechter (267) and Toby Williams (250, brother of Jimmy Williams) and noseguard Curt Hineline (233) are all-conference caliber. The other end is unsettled, with walk-on Dave Ridder (202) and Todd Spratte (224) the leading contenders.

Steve Damkroger (224) and Steve McWhirter (227) provide solid linebacking. Cornerbacks Ric Lindquist (180) and Rodney Lewis (190) and strong safety Sammy Simm (195) give three-fourths of the secondary a seasoned look. But free safety is uncertain and Osborne worries about depth.

Kevin Seibel is the Big Eight's leading all-purpose kicker.

A more difficult than usual nonconference schedule should enable the Cornhuskers to solve their backfield questions before they get into a Big Eight schedule that for the third straight year may offer no traps before the finale at Oklahoma.

MISSOURI

The Tigers (8-4, 5-2) must replace a much-decorated senior class that included quarterback Phil Bradley, the Big Eight's all-time leader in total offense, and six other all-conference honorees. Many observers doubt Missouri's recent recruiting classes produced comparable replacements.

But fourth-year coach Warren Powers surprised by saying the group with which he will rebuild in 1981 is better than the Bradley class he inherited in 1978. The current Tigers have more speed and strength, Powers reasons. They also have the opportunity to develop against the softest nonconference schedule Missouri has played in more than a decade. The Tigers might match their third-place finish and Liberty Bowl record of last year without being as capable.

Missouri has the least experienced team in the Big Eight. The Tigers must replace their offensive line, receivers, kickers, running backs, defensive ends, and secondary. But all of this is secondary to replacing Bradley.

Mike Hyde, a 200-pound junior, came out of spring practice as No. 1 quarterback. Hyde is considered a fine passer but not in Bradley's class as a scrambler or running threat. Sophomore red-shirts Forrest Harrell (190) and Joe Holder (207) are other quarterback possibilitiess.

The running backs are smaller than departed career record-holder James Wilder. But Powers is high on starters Bob Meyer (195) and Terry Hill (180), and sophomore backups George Shorthose (200) and Tracey Mack (205) are exceptionally fast.

Sophomore wide receivers Andy Hill (165) and Curtland Thomas (185) excite Powers. He also expects two heralded freshmen, Ricky Doby and Anthony Carruthers, to contribute as receivers and keep opponents from concentrating on Andy Gibler (230), the Big Eight's best tight end.

The offensive line will rebuild around center Brad Edelman (250), consensus all-conference last year and a leading contender for All-America in 1981. Edelman's companions, tall and lean types, are expected to be tackles Andy Ekerns (6-6), 240) and Conrad Goode (6-7, 245) and guards Tom Hornof (6-5, 235) and Bernard Laster (6-2, 240). Laster and Goode are sophomores. "We're inexperienced here, but I think the offensive line will do all right," Powers said.

Missouri's most established area is the defensive line. Tackles Bennie Smith (250) and Randy Jastes (255) and noseguard Jerome Sally (253) started on a unit that ranked second in the conference in defense. But none were on the first unit when spring practice ended. Tackles Rod Skillman (253) and Jeff Gaylord (240) and noseguard Tom Woodland (245), all lettermen, moved into starting roles and "might stay there," Powers said. The ends are scheduled to be lightish sophomores Taft Sales (205) and Kendall Ponder (205).

Linebacker Van Darkow (205) is a returning starter. Dave McNeel (210) or Ken Harlan (205) will be the other starting linebacker. Strong safety Kevin Potter (183) is the only returning starter from a secondary that led the Big Eight in pass interceptions with 23. But Powers gave winning grades to free safety Raymond Hairston (185) and to cornerbacks Demetrious Johnson (180), Steve Crapo (185), and Jeff Smith (180).

IOWA STATE

The Cyclones (6-5, 2-5) have the Big Eight's most experienced team (18 returning starters, nine on offense and nine on defense) and the leading rusher in tailback Dwayne Crutchfield (225), who burst out of junior college with unsuspecting credentials to rush for 1,312 yards and score 11 touchdowns as a one-man gang. Iowa State's

Brad Edelman, Street & Smith's All-America center from Missouri





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dependence on Crutchfield was illustrated when the Cyclones became the only team to lose to Colorado on a day when the burly workhorse was injured.

Despite Crutchfield, Iowa State won only one of its last six games. Yet the Cyclones are confident they can challenge for third. Coach Donnie Duncan ties his hopes to complementing Crutchfield with improved passing. Quarterback John Quinn (190) had only a 45 percent completion rate and four touchdowns. But he was better before sustaining an arm injury.

Duncan expects Quinn to be considerably more effective, if he holds off the challenge of Jon English (205), a transfer from Michigan State who is considred a strong passer. The receiving corps is also expected to be improved by the conversion of speedy Rocky Gillis (180), from tailback, and the return to fitness of Vinny Cerrato (190). Junior-college transfer Doran Geiese (230) is a highly regarded tight end.

But the prospects at fullback are so bleak that freshman Mark Perry (207) may be counted on to start.

The offensive line returns four starters, tackles Karl Nelson (270) and Ted Clapper (265, moved from guard), center Jim Meyer (240), and guard Brian Neal (255). But the best lineman may be a newcomer, sophomore guard Bruce Reimers (275).

The defensive line, in a 4-3 alignment, has quality in tackles Shamus McDonough (275) and Mark Butts (260) and end James Ransom (220). The spring blooming of Chris Washington (209) solidified a linebacking corps that will be even better if Joel Jenson (225) beats a race with the calendar to recover from knee surgery. If Jenson and end Chris Boskey, inactive for two years after knee surgery short-circuited a promising career, "are both healthy, we will have one of the best lines in the conference," Duncan said. "If neither can play, we will be hurting." George Jessen (215) is the other starter. Dwayne Gilyard (225), a junior-college transfer, may start if Jenson does not mend.

Three starters return from a secondary that had the nation's lowest pass completion yield (35 percent). They are strong safety John Arnaud (185), free safety Ronnie Osborne (180), and cornerback Joe Brown (180).

Alex Giffords is the Big Eight's best placekicker. But the Cyclones need improved punting. An asset is their home schedule. They play all of their rivals for third place at Ames.

KANSAS

Only Missouri has as few (eight) returning starters as the Jay-hawks (4-5-2, 3-3-1). But KU's returnees include two of the Big Eight's brightest new backfield stars, halfback Kerwin Bell (180) and quarterback Frank Seurer (185). As freshmen, they led Kansas to a surprise fourth-place finish last year. As sophomores,

Iowa State's coach Donnie Duncan and WR Vinny Cerrato (left), Alex Giffords (#6), DT Shamus McDonough (#53), and RB Dwayne Crutchfield (#45)

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they are responsible for the Jayhawks setting their sights on third place and a bowl bid this year.

The Jayhawks have the kind of non-conference schedule that should allow them to gain momentum. Coach Don Fambrough makes no attempt to conceal his optimism. "We are excited about this program and where it's headed," he said.

This optimism is predicated on Bell's getting out of Fambrough's doghouse and returning to the team. Without Bell the Jayhawks might easily fall to seventh. He set a Big Eight record for freshmen by rushing for 1,114 yards, despite missing two games. Herschel Walker of Georgia was the only freshman in the nation to outrush Bell, whose physique and speed are reminscent of Greg Pruitt's, Oklahoma's thunderbolt of a decade ago. "Kerwin can be one of the great backs to play in this conference," says Fambrough, who has been on the Kansas staff for 26 years.

Seurer completed only 43 percent of his passes and led the Big Eight by being intercepted 11 times. But former Kansas and NFL great John Hadl, Jayhawk offensive coordinator, thinks Seurer is destined for greatness. Seurer gave hints of such last year when he came off the bench to direct comebacks for one victory and two ties before becoming a starter. He also had the benefit of deluxe receivers last year. They are gone. But Wayne Capers (200) and Russ Bastin (205) are capable. So is fullback Walter Mack (190).

The question marks are centered on the offensive line. Guard David Lawrence (240) is the only returning starter. Sophomore guard K.C. Brown (260) is the most highly regarded of the replacements. Three junior-college transfers, Paul Fairchild (240), Anthony Penny (250), and Bob Marshall (260), and lettermen Dave Wessling (255, tackle) and Ed Bruce (230, center) may ease the problem.

Fambrough thinks the strength of the team will be defense. Linebackers Chris Toburen (220) and Kyle McNorton (230) and noseguard Greg Smith (245) are established. Twin brothers Marky and Carky Alexander (215) are gifted sophomore ends, who will play beside two of the Big Eight's biggest tackles, Guy Neighbors (270) and Broderick Thompson (265).

Cornerback Tony McNeely is the only returning starter in the secondary. But projected starters Gary Coleman (210) and Roger Foote (205) are considered competent safeties.

Punter Bucky Scribner led the Big Eight last year and was sixth nationally with a 44-yard average.

OKLAHOMA STATE

The Cowboys (3-7-1, 2-4-1) enjoyed unexpected success in 1979 because they had the kind of quarterback (Harold Bailey) their pass-run offense demanded. They crashed last year because an otherwise better team did not have the required quarterback.

So, reluctantly, coach Jimmy Johnson will shift to a run-oriented I-formation this year. In addition to quarterback compatibility, the presence of several competent running backs influenced the change. Shawn Jones (205), Ernest Anderson (191), and Jim Evans (175), a converted flanker with sprinter speed, are scheduled to share the ball-carrying at tailback. Veterans Steve Hammond (215) and Vince Orange (202) are the ranking fullbacks, who will be blocking backs primarily in the new scheme.

Quarterback John Doerner (185), who suffered a broken leg in the second game last year, might be the only senior to start on offense. Doerner will have a fewer responsibilities this year. He is an intelligent, adequate runner. OSU, however, will not abandon the pass altogether, partly because of John Chesley (233), whom Johnson predicts will be the best tight end in the Big Eight, and split end Mark Cromer (180), slow but sure-handed.

The offensive line, a major liability in 1980, should be improved, though less experienced. Guard Mark Granger (245), tackle Jody Tillman (244), center Doug Freeman (240), and guard John Cegielski (250) represent considerably more physical strength than OSU had in its line last year. Johnson hopes Darryl Sheffey (270), a ballyhooed recruit of two years ago but luckless to date, will be the other starting tackle.

The Cowboys have the Big Eight's best pair of linebackers in Ricky Young (217) and Mike Green (218). United Press International selected Young the conference defender of the year. OSU insiders consider Green on Young's level. The Cowboys' best secondary in several years is led by free safety Chris Rockins (185). Other starters are cornerbacks Roderick Fisher (192), Raymond Polk (205), or Greg Hill (184) and strong safety Pete DiClementi (190).



Kansas running back Kerwin Bell

But the line is tender. Noseguard Gary Lewis (248), a converted tackle, is the only interior lineman Johnson can confidently count on. Tackle Gary Chachere (255) will start if an operated knee mends. Tackle Kerry Graham (252) finished spring practice on a promising note. Louis Blackwell (218) and Butch Crites (207), former walk-ons, are the starting ends.

Punter J.T. Neal, who improved significantly in late season, returns. The search for a new place-kicker may begin and end with freshman Craig Benson.

COLORADO

If the Buffaloes (1-10, 1-6) upgrade their defense to just semi-respectability—which would be tantamount to substantial improvement—they might vault out of the cellar and all the way to fifth or fourth place in Chuck Fairbanks's third year.

Their offense ranked fifth in the Big Eight last year and, despite a sophomoric makeup at key positions, may have more weapons than any team except Oklahoma and Nebraska. Sophomore quarterback Randy Essington (205) completed 51 percent of his passes last year and is highly regarded by Fairbanks and Sid Gillman, who discovered the unsung Californian and recommended him to Fairbanks. Halfback Derek Singleton (185) has big-league talent and speed. Walter Stanley (169), also a sophomore, is a big-play threat at wingback. Versatile but injury-prone Charles Davis (211) represents a lot of potential at fullback.

Dave Hestern (245), a junior-college transfer, impressed at tight end. The offensive line has a blend of experience and sophomore promise. Tackles Brant Thurston (249), if he recovers from knee surgery, Bob Sebro (255), and Mike Sylvester (263), center Rich Umphrey (254), and guards Doug Krahenbuhl (243), Guy Thurston (249) and Vince Rafferty (245) are acceptable players.

"I think the worst is over for this program and from now on we will make progress," Fairbanks said. "But we obviously have a long way to go before we can be competitive in our conference."



Oklahoma State is led by LB Ricky Young (left) and OG Mark Granger.

Fairbanks's tempered view is influenced by a defense that ranked 138th nationally last year, when opponents scored 61 touchdowns and averaged 464 yards per game and 6.6 per play.

Sophomore linebackers Sandy Armstrong (222), Scott Hardison (224), and Alan Chrite (212) brighten the outlook on defense. Greg Willett (227), a converted tight end, also adds quality at linebacker. Mark Remington (220) started last year.

But the line remains vulnerable, with tackles Graham Harrison (276) and Pete Perry (250), noseguard Dan Ralph (250), and end Kevin Hood (199) returning as starters. End Mark Washington (237) impressed in spring practice.

Free safety Ellis Wood (183) and cornerbacks Victor Scott (186) and Rickey Bynum (194) are returning starters in a secondary that was last in conference interceptions, with five, and tragic against the run. Clyde Riggins (179) is expected to add improvement by crowding someone out of the lineup.

Art Woods was the Big Eight's No. 2 punter with a 41.3-yard average last year.

With a more compatible nonconference home schedule, the Buffs should avoid their nightmarish starts of the last two years. But they play on the road against most of the Big Eight teams that are within their reach.

KANSAS STATE

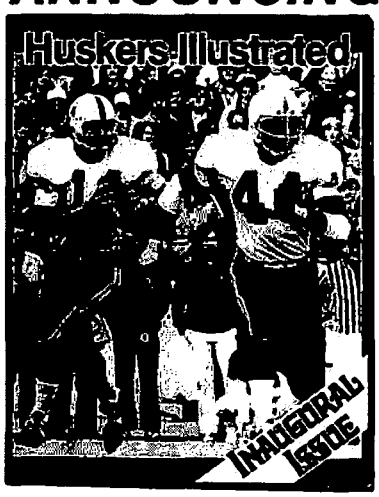
The Wildcats (3-8, 1-6) are second to Iowa State in returning starters (14). But they must replace their defensive line, which was their only area of quality last year when they shared last place with Colorado. K-State was last in rushing, scoring, and total offense and acutely short of speed at the skilled positions.

Coach Jim Dickey and a new staff of offensive aides think a lot of juggling will improve an attack that failed to score a touchdown in four games. But spring practice ended with Jeff Meyers (196) retaining his starting job at fullback and Mark Hundley (208), who carried the ball only six times last year, as the No. 1 halfback. Hope is represented by Masi Toluao (208) and freshman Iosefatu Faraimo.

"We are determined to improve our running game," Dickey said. The passing game is in less need of bolstering because of Dickey's son, quarterback Darrell Dickey (192), whose 47 percent completion rate was highest among

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Quarterback Charles Davis of Colorado

the Big Eight's returning starters. But Dickey will be throwing to new receivers Ernie Coleman (175), a running back last year, and Rick Manning (180) or Eric Mack (222), a tight end last year.

The Wildcats' strength is the offensive line, where guard Amos Donaldson (255) starts for the third year and tackle Doug Hoppock (250), guard Doug Catloth, center Jim Kennedy (228), and tight end Mike Cox (235) started last year. "We are just the opposite of where we were last year. Our offense is ahead of the defense."

Tackle Mike Simeta (260) is the only returning starter in the defensive line. But ends Wade Wentling (236) and D.L. Johnson (220) had starting experience prior to injuries. Dan Sparks (232) or Mark Newton is expected to be the other tackle.

The remainder of the Wildcats' 4-3-3 defense is in better shape. Linebackers Vic Koenning (220) and Will Cokeley (215) return and will be joined by Dan Ruich (208). A secondary that ranked No. 1 nationally against passing, primarily because opponents attempted only 152 passes, returns cornerback Greg Best (180), strong safety Jim Morris (188), and free safety Mike Kopsky (202).

MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE

TULSA

The Hurricane (8-3, 4-1) will tie its hopes of successfully defending the Valley championship to quarterback Kenny Jackson, a quick, artful scrambler with a powerful arm. The usually conservative John Cooper will depend on Jackson's passing to neutralize an anticipated drop-off in a defense that held five opponents under two touchdowns.

Cooper expects Jackson to be "the best quarterback in this part of the country. I've seen the other top quarterbacks in the Big Eight and Southwest Conferences and I would not trade Jackson for any of them."

Jackson passed for 1,208 yards and ran for 281 more while accounting for 12 touchdowns last year. He completed only 46 percent, but was intercepted only four times. "He is capable of doing much better," Cooper said.

Tulsa's complementing weapons are fullback Michael Gunter (199), halfback Kenneth Lacy (202), and wide receiver Kirk Phillips (182). An improved offensive line will start tackles Steve Creed (253) and Sid Abramowitz (270), guards David Imes (231) and Steve Cox (234), and center Kurt Nichols (233).

The defensive line has experience and quickness in tackles George Gilbert (244) and Bill Purifoy (239), noseguard Willis Carolina (214), and end Eugene Williams (209). But the linebacking is new and questionable. The secondary will regroup around two returning starters, strong safety Reno Hutchins (200) and cornerback Robert Estes (191), moved from free safety, and a competent new cornerback, Brent Dennis.

Tulsa should have fine kicking. Stu Crum is among the area's best place-kickers and Steve Cook's punting job will be challenged by highly regarded freshmen.

WICHITA

The Shockers (5-5-1, 4-1-1) were the only Valley team to defeat Tulsa and missed a share of the championship because of a late-season upset tie with New Mexico State. Their record was admirable in view of a dismal preseason forecast followed by a 73-0 loss to South Carolina.

Fifteen starters return for Jeff Jefferies's third year as coach. Jefferies said, "We are now in a position to think about a winning season." The leader of this rise is quarterback Prince McJunkins (168), who completed 52 percent of his passes for 1,015 yards and ran the option for 393 more.

Bret Ingalls (206) returns as a solid fullback. But tailback is a question and the receivers are new. More comforting to Jefferies is the offensive line, which returns tackle Mark McCoy (232), guards Jay Hull (239) and David Sage (234), and center Tim Dorian (225).

The Shockers may have the Valley's best defense. It is led by all-conference tackle Dave Davis (226), tackle Lonnie Kennell (248), noseguard Darren Mills (234), end Mike Kriwiel (200), linebacker Robert Ramey (213), safeties Mike Johnston (204) and Kelvin Middleton (181), and cornerback Billy Wilson (175).

Quarterback Darrell Ray Dickey (below) and defensive end Wade Wentling (right) of Kansas State Wildcats



INDIANA STATE

The Sycamores (6-5, 4-2) have the Valley's most experienced team (17 starters) and the best group of skilled-position operatives. Coach Dennis Raetz has the conference's 1979 offensive player of the year, quarterback Reggie Allen (174); all-conference wide receiver Eddie Ruffin (160); all-conference tight end Hubert Moore (213), and tailback Eric Robinson (180), the league's No. 3 returning rusher.

In addition, wide receiver Kirk Wilson (192) and three starters in the offensive line return.

Allen passed for 1,678 yards and eight touchdowns last year to surpass his 1979 totals. But his interceptions soared to 16 and his completion record was under 50 percent. Ruffin averaged 16.6 yards per reception, tops in the Valley.



The Sycamores play Tulsa and Wichita at Terre Haute, Ind. To become a serious contender for the championship the Sycamores must improve a defense that leaked 76 points to Tulsa and Wichita in runaway losses last year. The defense has only one standout, all-conference linebacker Craig Shaffer (219). Seven other starters return.

WEST TEXAS

According to their recent pattern, the Buffaloes (5-6, 2-4) should win the Valley this year. They have been doing it every other year, always when picked low. Coach Bill Yung has 12 starters returning, but none of the assets champions usually have. The Buffs do not have experience in the defensive line or an established quarterback.

Matt Patterson (200), the best passer, and

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Defensive tackle George Gilbert looms large in Tulsa's game plan.

Ricky Davis (185), the best runner, are scheduled to alternate again at quarterback. Tailback Danny Clark (170) and wingback Mark Tidwell (183) are returning starters, as is tight end Milton Baker (205). Tackle Reggie McElroy (255) and guard Kevin Dennis (230) are returning starters in the offensive line.

But the Buffs have the same problems that made 1980 disappointing for them: no depth and not much defense. They were last in the Valley in yielding points (25.8 per game). Noseguard Elvin Keller (232), all-conference last year, is the only returning starter in the line.

An inexperienced line will put returning linebackers Gerry Uretsky (205) and Larry Moore (223) and defensive backs Daryl Hemphill (185), Perry Allred (185), and Thompson Mayberry (174) under pressure.

Punter Larry Martin led the Valley last year with a 41.8 average.

NEW MEXICO STATE

The Aggies (3-7-1, 1-4-1) must rebuild both lines and develop a rushing attack from inexperienced runners if they expect to improve on their sixth-place finish of last year. But they may not need to improve as much as their record suggests. They missed winning the championship by only eight points. They lost to champion Tulsa by one point, to Southern Illinois by one, to West Texas by two, and tied Wichita.

Coach Gil Krueger hopes to close the gap with, as usual, one of the Valley's best passing attacks. Quarterback Jamie McAlister (185) returns for his senior year after being third in Valley passing in 1980 with 1,219 yards. But he was intercepted 15 times and had minor shoulder surgery during the offseason. That gave Krueger a chance in spring practice to take long looks at Rusty Griffin (175) and John Springer (195), each of whom is highly regarded. Krueger hints that McAlister's job is not secure.

Whoever does the passing will have superb targets in Kerry Locklin (215), one of the Valley's best tight ends, flanker Al Tanner (190), speedy split end Bobby Humphrey (160), and flanker Javier Holguin (170), if he returns.

The Aggies hope to improve on the conference's poorest rushing attack with the addition of two junior-college transfers at tailback, Donald Stagg (165) and Randy Swayne (180). Fullback Rudy Rudison (175) was fourth in Valley rushing with 749 yards. But they must run behind an all-new line.

The defensive interior is all new, too. Linebacking has possibilities. The strongest part of the defense is the secondary, where cornerback James Ferebee (160) intercepted five passes and made all-conference last year. James Crowe (185), Anthony Watson (195), and Anthony Thomas (190) are returning starters in the defensive backfield.

Marc Brandt was second in the Valley in punting with a 40.9-yard average.

DRAKE

Twelve starters return from a Bulldog team (8-3, 3-2) that tied school records for victories and earned Chuck Shelton Valley coach of the year honors. Among the returning are fullback Amero Ware (205), who led the conference in rushing with 964 yards, and flanker Pat Dunsmore (231), who led in receptions with 41.

But the Bulldogs lost their leader, All-Valley quarterback Rick Casko. The expiration of Casko's eligibility created a lot of slack: 2,154 yards of passing and 16 touchdowns, plus 323 yards of rushing.

Shelton thought replacement Gary Yagelski (198) might have been the Valley's second-best quarterback last year. He attempted only 17 passes and completed 11. "I expect Gary to do a fine job." Nevertheless, Shelton recruited Greg Ostrowski (183) from junior college.

An experienced offensive line features tackle John Ware (204, no relation to Amero) and guards Frank Butsko (235) and Dan Rankin (232). The defense returns noseguard Tim Hansen (224), tackle Dan McCain (265), linebacker Pat Ruddy (204), strong safety Dave Killpack (188), and cornerback Lance Shields (170).

Henrik Mike-Meyer was the Valley's all-conference place-kicker.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

The Salukis (3-8, 1-5) hope to rebound from an unexpected crash to the Valley cellar by shifting to a passing offense. Quarterbacks Richard Johnson (180) and Arthur Williams (190), despite minimal experience, cause coach Rey Dempsey to be optimistic. "Both are good passers and can build this program back up," said Dempsey.

He conceded it would be challenging. The Salukis will depend on inexperienced passers and their defense does not figure to be as effective as it was last year, when it was the Valley's best against rushing and worst against passing. The line is rebuilt and the secondary returns.

Tailback Walter Poole (175) is expected to add punch to an offense that ranked last in the conference in 1980. Darrin Davis (235), perhaps the Valley's best center, leads an experienced offensive line.

Tackle John Harper (230) is the only returning starter in the defensive line. The linebacking is solid with Mike Rager (220), Tony Bleyer (205), and Rick Bielecki (212). But the secondary will have to depend on improvement from the same cast that twice allowed opponents to win with 17-point passing rallies in the fourth quarter.

ILLINOIS STATE

The Redbirds (4-7) make their debut in the Valley with a new coach, former Indiana assistant Bob Otolski. He spent spring practice conducting experiments and making position shifts which he admitted "make us pretty much of a mystery." The Redbirds' two games in 1980 against Valley opponents add to their baffling prospects. They lost 0-42 to last-place Southern Illinois but handed third-place Indiana State its only shutout, 9-0.

Eleven starters return, but several will either play new positions or be pressed to start.

Steve Gumble (190), one of four quarterbacks to start last year, has the edge over Steve Moews (185) to start in Otolski's multiple offense. Willie Boyd (190), one of the 1980 quarterbacks, will, at his request, remain at flanker, where he finished the season and where Otolski thinks he "will be one of the strengths of our team."

Tailback Kevin Jones (170) is a returning starter who will be challenged by Lorenzo Butler (205). Dave George (215) is the leading candidate at fullback. Guard Dennis Brooks (230) and center Craig Seifferth (225) were the only 1980 starters assured of starting at the same positions.

Tight end Rodney Keller (185) and Edroy Yancey (180), part of the traffic at quarterback, may be the starting safties. Defensive end Anthony Office (220) was moved to linebacker. Middle linebacker Mike Reed (205) and tackle Jim Lucas (220) earned starting roles with impressive performances in the spring practice. Jeff Hembrough (220), a starting offensive guard last year, is the ranking noseguard.



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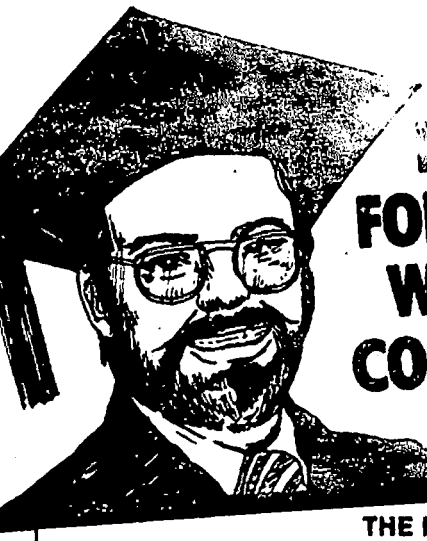
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SAN DIEGO ST	1:00	NL		NL	NL	NL			
SYRACUSE	1:00	NL		NL	NL	NL			
WAKE FOREST	1:00	6		9	−8½ (2pt)	8½	200		200
SOUTH CAROLINA	1:00	7		6½	6½	6			
MARYLAND	1:00	4		5	5	−4½ (3pt)	300		500
NEBRASKA	1:00	2		−3 (2pt)	3½	3			700
KENT STATE	1:00	6		4	−3½				480

Teams	Time (E.S.T.)	Early Virgin Lines	Over/Under	WHITEY	JIM	FRED	Won	Lost	Cumulative Won Lost
CALIFORNIA	1:00	8		6	6½	6			
WISCONSIN	1:00	17		−17 (100)	17½	18	100		860
OREGON	1:30	8		6½	6	6			
OREGON ST	1:30	NL		NL	NL	NL			
BAYLOR	1:30	1		2	2½	1½			
LOUISIANA ST	1:30	10½		12	11½	−11½ (100)		(220)	640
RICE	1:30	NL		NL	NL	NL			
RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S ACTIVITIES							1,300	(660)	640

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OAKLAND RAIDERS	1:00	7	45	−1½ (200)	2	2	300		940
BUFFALO BILLS									
CLEVELAND BROWNS	1:00	3½	38	3½	3½	4			
TAMPA BAY BUCS									
				6	+6½ (200)	6½		(220)	720
				3	2½	3			
				13	−13 (100)	13½	200		920
				7	7	6½			
				6	6	6½			
				4½	5 (300)	+5 (200)	500		1,420
				10	10	10			
				6	5½	6			
				3½ (100)	3	3	200		1,620
				4½	4½	5			
				4	4	+4 (100)	100		1,720
...IVITIES							1,300	(220)	1,080
...DAY'S ACTIVITIES							2,600	(880)	1,720
...FOOTBALL LEAGUE								(220)	1,500

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1980 Schedule

S	7	Houston	(−6½)	31-17
	14	at Baltimore	(−6½)	20-17
	21	at Cincinnati	(−7)	30-28
	28	Chicago	(−8)	38-3
O	5	at Minnesota	(−13)	23-17
	12	Cincinnati	(−9½)	16-17
	20	Oak (Mon.)	(−3)	34-45
	26	at Cleveland	(−13½)	26-27
N	2	Green Bay		1 00
	9	at Tampa Bay		1 00
	16	Cleveland		1 00
	23	at Buffalo		1 00
	30	Miami		8 30
D	4	at Hou (Thurs.)		1 00
	14	Kansas City		9 00
	22	at S D (Mon.)		

1980 POINTSPREAD RECORD — Home — Away

Actual Record

College Football Match-Ups

GEORGIA	8-0	FLORIDA	6-1
Vince Dooley	Bulldogs	Charley Pell	Gators

1980 Schedule

S	6	at Tennessee	(+3)	16-15	S	13	Calif (Tampa) (+4)	41-13
	13	Texas A&M	(−2)	42-0		20	at Georgia Tech (+1½)	45-12
	20	Clemson	(−9)	20-16		27	Miss St (−2½)	21-15
	27	TCU	(−14)	34-3	O	4	LSU (−7)	7-24
O	11	Mississippi	(−13)	28-21		18	at Mississippi (+4)	15-3
	18	Vanderbilt	(NL)	41-0		25	Louisville (NL)	13-0
	25	at Kentucky	(−5½)	7-0	N	1	Auburn (−4)	21-10
N	1	S Car		10		8	Georgia	33-1
						15	at Kentucky	
						22	at Florida	

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College Game

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1980-81 Bowl Games

ROSE BOWL

Michigan	0	7	10	6-23
Washington	0	6	0	0- 6

SCORING

Washington: Nelson 35-yard field goal
Michigan: Woolfolk 6-yard run (Haji-Sheikh PAT)
Washington: Nelson 26-yard field goal
Michigan: Haji-Sheikh 25-yard field goal
Michigan: Carter 7-yard pass from Wangler (Haji-Sheikh PAT)
Michigan: Edwards 1-yard run (kick failed)

TEAM STATISTICS

	MICHIGAN	WASHINGTON
First downs	23	20
Rushes-yards	60-292	30-92
Passing yards	145	282
Return yards	9	66
Passes	12-20-0	23-39-2
Punts	6-47	5-39
Fumbles-lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-yards	3-37	5-32

Attendance: 104,863

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Michigan—Woolfolk 26-192, Edwards 19-68, Carter 4-33, Ricks 6-21; Washington—Stevens 17-59, Tyler 10-45.
Passing: Michigan—Wangler 12-20-0—145; Washington—Flick 23-39-2—282.
Receiving: Michigan—Carter 5-68, Betts 3-21, Mitchell 2-36; Washington—Allen 6-101, Bayle 6-45, Skansi 4-61, Stevens 3-16, Tyler 2-18

ORANGE BOWL

Florida State	0	7	3	7-17
Oklahoma	0	3	7	8-18

SCORING

Florida State: R. Williams 10-yard run (Capece PAT)
Oklahoma: Keeling 53-yard field goal
Oklahoma: Overstreet 4-yard run (Keeling PAT)
Florida State: Capece 19-yard field goal
Florida State: Butler recovery of fumble in end zone (Capece PAT)
Oklahoma: Rhodes 11-yard pass from Watts (Valora pass from Watts)

TEAM STATISTICS

	FLORIDA STATE	OKLAHOMA
First downs	23	18
Rushes-yards	60-212	55-156
Passing yards	51	128
Return yards	minus 6	18
Passes	11-15-0	7-12-0
Punts	4-43	2-37
Fumbles-lost	1-0	7-5
Penalties-yards	5-58	4-32

Attendance: 71,043

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Florida State—R. Williams 19-99, Platt 17-45, Whiting 9-55; Oklahoma—Watts 25-48, Rhymes 12-29, Overstreet 4-42, J. Ledbetter 3-31
Passing: Florida State—Stockstill 11-15-0—51; Oklahoma—Watts 7-12-0—128.
Receiving: Florida State—Whiting 3-6, R. Williams 2-27, Childers 2-12, H. Johnson 2-1; Oklahoma—Rhodes 2-53, Valora 2-47

COTTON BOWL

Alabama	6	7	3	14-30
Baylor	2	0	0	0 2

SCORING

Alabama: Kim 29-yard field goal
Alabama: Kim 27-yard field goal
Baylor: Safety, Lewis tackled in end zone
Alabama: Ogilvie 1-yard run (Kim PAT)
Alabama: Kim 42-yard field goal
Alabama: Jacobs 1-yard run (Kim PAT)
Alabama: Nix 2-yard run (Mardini PAT)

TEAM STATISTICS

	ALABAMA	BAYLOR
First downs	17	13
Rushes-yards	67-241	35-54
Passing yards	98	104
Return yards	47	27
Passes	5-12-0	12-27-3
Punts	6-37	7-35
Fumbles-lost	5-1	5-4
Penalties-yards	5-89	6-59

Attendance: 74,281

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Alabama—Ogilvie 15-74, Carter 4-71, Patrick 12-45; Baylor—Jeffrey 8-18, Gentry 11-17.
Passing: Alabama—Jacobs 5-12-0—98; Baylor—Jeffrey 8-19-2—54, Mangrum 4-8-1—49.
Receiving: Alabama—Bendross 1-49; Baylor—Gentry 5-26

SUGAR BOWL

Notre Dame	3	0	7	0-10
Georgia	10	7	0	0-17

SCORING

Notre Dame: Oliver 50-yard field goal
Georgia: Robinson 46-yard field goal
Georgia: Walker 1-yard run (Robinson PAT)
Georgia: Walker 3-yard run (Robinson PAT)
Notre Dame: P. Carter 1-yard run (Oliver PAT)

TEAM STATISTICS

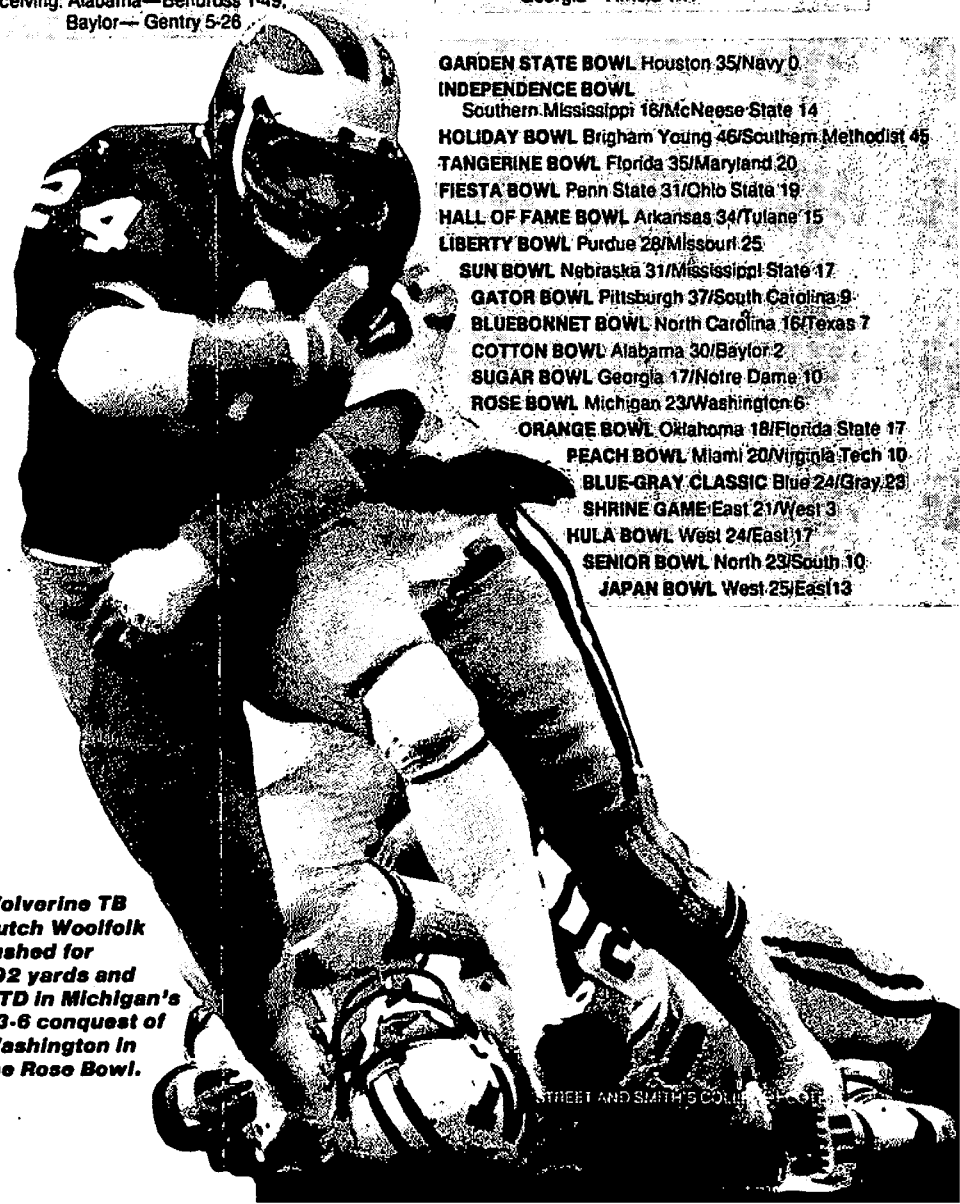
	NOTRE DAME	GEORGIA
First downs	17	10
Rushes-yards	50-190	52-120
Passing yards	138	7
Return yards	2	44
Passes	14-28-3	1-13-0
Punts	5-42	11-39
Fumbles-lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-yards	8-69	6-32

Attendance: 77,895

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing: Notre Dame—P. Carter 27-109, Courey 5-40, Kiel 10-27; Georgia—Walker 36-150, Norris 2-2, Womack 1-2.
Passing: Notre Dame—Kiel 14-27-2—138, Courey 0-1-1—0; Georgia: Belue 1-12-0—7, Walker 0-1-0-0.
Receiving: Notre Dame—Holohan 4-44, Hunter 3-29; Georgia—Arnold 1-7.

GARDEN STATE BOWL Houston 35/Navy 0
INDEPENDENCE BOWL Southern Mississippi 16/McNeese State 14
HOLIDAY BOWL Brigham Young 46/Southern Methodist 45
TANGERINE BOWL Florida 35/Maryland 20
FIESTA BOWL Penn State 31/Ohio State 19
HALL OF FAME BOWL Arkansas 34/Tulane 15
LIBERTY BOWL Purdue 28/Missouri 25
SUN BOWL Nebraska 31/Mississippi State 17
GATOR BOWL Pittsburgh 37/South Carolina 9
BLUEBONNET BOWL North Carolina 16/Texas 7
COTTON BOWL Alabama 30/Baylor 2
SUGAR BOWL Georgia 17/Notre Dame 10
ROSE BOWL Michigan 23/Washington 6
ORANGE BOWL Oklahoma 18/Florida State 17
PEACH BOWL Miami 20/Virginia Tech 10
BLUE-GRAY CLASSIC Blue 24/Gray 23
SHRINE GAME East 21/West 3
HULA BOWL West 24/East 17
SENIOR BOWL North 23/South 10
JAPAN BOWL West 25/East 13



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REGULAR SEASON

Dec. 1	OAKLAND over Denver	WON
Dec. 4	HOUSTON over Pitt.	(Key)WON
Dec. 6	USC (+) over Notre Dame	WON
	FLORIDA (+) over Fla. St.	WON
Dec. 7	MINNESOTA (+) over Tampa	WON
	WASH. (+) over San Diego	WON
	DETROIT (+) over St. Louis	WON
	OAKLAND (+) over Dallas	LOST
Dec. 8	MIAMI (+) over N. England	WON
Dec. 13	WASH. over N.Y. Giants	LOST
	SEATTLE (+) over San Diego	WON
Dec. 14	KANSAS CITY over Pitt.	WON
	MINNESOTA (+) over Cleveland	WON
	DETROIT over Tampa	WON
	DENVER (+) over Oakland	TIE
Dec. 15	L. ANGELES (+) over Dallas	WON
Dec. 20	N.Y. JETS (+) over Miami	WON
	TAMPA (+) over Chicago	WON
Dec. 21	MINNESOTA (+) over Houston	WON
	DALLAS over Philadelphia	WON
	ATLANTA (+) over L. Angeles	WON
	SAN FRAN. (+) over Buffalo (Key)	WON
Dec. 22	SAN DIEGO over Pitt.	WON

BOWL SEASON

Garden St.	HOUSTON over Navy	WON
Fiesta	OHIO ST. over Penn. St.	LOST
Holiday	BYU (+) over SMU	WON
Tangerine	FLORIDA (+) over Maryland (Key)	WON
Sun	NEBRASKA over Miss. St.	WON
Liberty	PURDUE (+) over Missouri (Key)	WON
Hall-Fame	TULANE (+) over Arkansas	LOST
Gator	PITT. over S. Carolina	WON
Blue Bonnet	N. CAROLINA over Texas	WON
Sugar	GEORGIA (+) over N. Dame	WON
Cotton	ALABAMA over Baylor (Key)	WON
Rose	WASH. (+) over Mich.	LOST
Orange	FLA. ST. (+) over Okla. (Key)	WON
Peach	VIRGINIA T. (+) over Miami	LOST

PLAY-OFFS AND SUPER BOWL

Dec. 28	OAKLAND (+) over Houston (Key)	WON
	DALLAS over L. Angeles	WON
Jan. 3	BUFFALO (+) over San Diego	TIE
	PHILA. over Minn.	WON
Jan. 4	OAKLAND (+) over Cleve. (Key)	WON
	DALLAS (+) over Atlanta (Key)	WON
Jan. 11	PHILA. (+) over Dallas (Key)	WON
	OAK. (+) over San Diego (Key)	WON
Super	OAKLAND (+) over Phila. (Key)	WON

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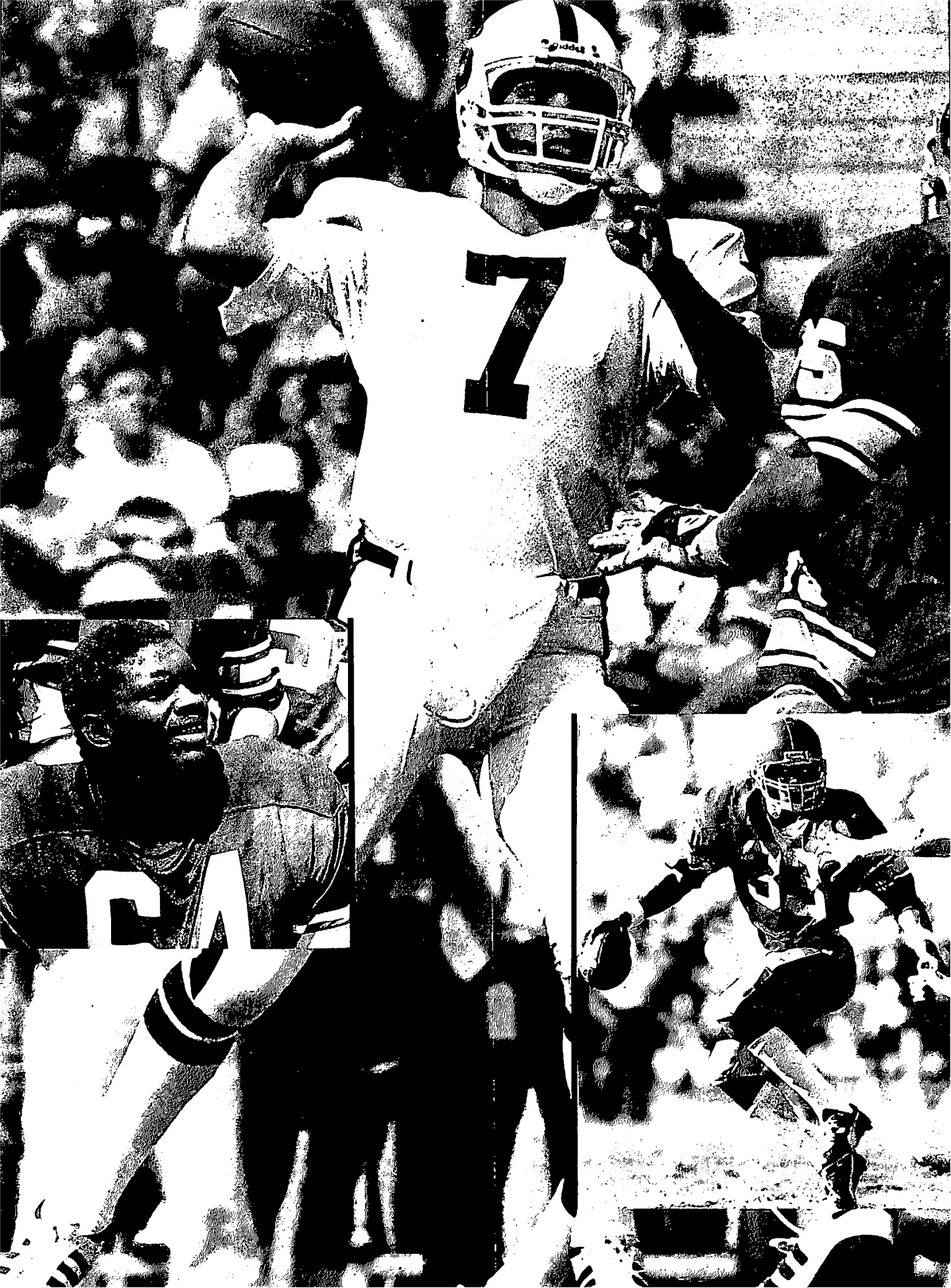
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SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER

Warren G. Harding and Calvin Coolidge would love it. A return to normalcy in the Pacific 10. USC and UCLA off sanctions and back on top and all's right with the world. And what was all that stuff about recruiting and rules violations, anyway?

Last year, when this report was written, you may recall, the Pac 10 was sitting on its own little Teapot Dome. And before the wars of fall began, the teapot overflowed, burning half the teams in the conference—Arizona State, Arizona, and Oregon in addition to USC and UCLA. Because of various transgressions, none was eligible for the league championship or the Rose Bowl. Conference colors for the season were black and blue.

Now, it seems, the wounds have healed and the bumps and bruises are only memories. Distant memories, if the various team reports from the spring are any indication. Oregon's prospectus featured this: "Coach Rich Brooks is a realist who acknowledged the problems he inherited when he was named head coach four years ago (editor's note: problems that had nothing to do with the 1980 disclosures). Now, candid as ever, he says his 1981 team has a chance to be a contender for the Pac-10 championship."

PREDICTIONS

PACIFIC 10
1. Southern California, 2. UCLA, 3. Washington, 4. Arizona State, 5. Oregon, 6. Stanford, 7. Arizona, 8. Washington State, 9. California, 10. Oregon State

PACIFIC COAST AA
1. San Jose State, 2. Utah State, 3. Long Beach State, 4. Fresno State, 5. Pacific, 6. Cal St. Fullerton

INDEPENDENTS
1. Portland State, 2. Santa Clara, 3. Azusa Pacific, 4. Cal Lutheran, 5. Puget Sound, 6. U. San Diego, 7. St. Mary's, 8. Sonoma State, 9. Chapman

FAR WESTERN
1. UC Davis, 2. Cal St. Hayward, 3. Chico State, 4. Sacramento State, 5. San Francisco State, 6. Humboldt State

CALIFORNIA COL. AA
1. Cal Poly S.L. Obispo, 2. Cal St. Northridge, 3. Cal Poly Pomona

SOUTHERN CALIF. IAC
1. Claremont-Mudd, 2. Redlands, 3. Whittier, 4. Occidental, 5. LaVerne, 6. Pomona-Pitzer

Of the five tainted schools, only Arizona got to the heart of the matter, and that was via an oblique angle in a biography on coach Larry Smith. The copy read this way: "When Larry D. Smith took over the Arizona football reins a year ago in April, he set forth five goals for his program." Listed as the No. 1 goal was "The importance of young men obtaining an education." And further down the line there was this paragraph: "And, under the guidance of Smith and academic counselor Dan Winters and his staff, new ideas and methods have been incorporated into study habits to help more than 100 student-athletes obtain a college degree."

Don't forget that you read the name of Dan Winters here first. And maybe last. Academic counselors usually don't worm their way in among the all-thises and all-thats who populate these preseason reports.

And now, for those of you who are more concerned with action than academics, I offer a familiar prognosis. So familiar that all six teams I rated No. 1 in their classifications last season are there again. Not one is a "lock." But I think USC—on sheer talent, as usual—has to be favored in the Pac 10, slightly ahead of UCLA and defending champion Washington, with Arizona State, Oregon (largely because of its schedule), and enigmatic Stanford all worthy of attention. Anybody who has John Elway has to be worthy of attention. San Jose State played off form a year ago, but I think it has more quality and depth than anyone else in the PCAA. Portland State is dropping in class but on schedule alone has to get the nod in the independents, although there are many good teams here. UC Davis is losing its huge edge in the Far Western Conference but still looks like the best; graduation-wracked Cal Poly San Luis Obispo was the finest NCAA division II team in the nation and should have enough left to head the CCAA; Claremont-Mudd is a shaky pick to rise to the top of the SCIAC.

Amazingly, there's only one coaching change in the entire section (Don Read is in at Portland State, where he's been before). Which either means times are so tough nobody is about to leave a job, or, after a season of incredible turbulence, we're sailing in calm winds again. And playing the kind of conservative games Ronald Reagan (like Harding and Coolidge before him) understands.

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Unlike most Pac 10 teams, the Trojans aren't looking for an offensive line or a defensive line or a bunch of reasons why they should have been better last season. They were 8-2-1, with a lot of inexperienced people and no Rose Bowl incentive (for once), yet still ranked highest of any conference squads (11th and 12th) in the final wire-service polls.

But something strange has happened at Troy. Coach John Robinson, whose 50-8-2 record in five years as head coach at the school ranks him second in winning percentage among all active college coaches, acknowledges he has "a lot of problems at the finesse positions." He quickly excepts tailback, where senior Marcus Allen has neither the flash of Charles White nor the dash of O.J. Simpson but churned out 1,563 yards (second best in the nation) and 14 TD's in just ten games, and is a definite Heisman Trophy candidate.

But gone are quarterback Gordon Adams, flanker Kevin Williams, fullback Paul DiLulo, tight ends Hoby Brenner and James Hunter, and blocking flanker Vic Rakhshani, along with three defensive backs—unanimous All-America Ronnie Lott, All-Pac 10 Dennis Smith, and Jeff Fisher. The Trojans, too, have the most difficult nonconference schedule in Robinson's tenure—Tennessee, Indiana, Oklahoma, and (as always) Notre Dame. So how will the Trojans meet the challenges? Very well, probably.

The quarterback will be junior Scott Tinsley, who started the last two games of the season; left-handed sophomore John Mazur, whom some see as a budding Kenny Stabler; or 6-5 freshman Sean Salisbury of Escondido, potentially the best of the lot. Senior Doug MacKenzie, who shared time with DiLulo but had knee surgery, should be at fullback, backed by Tom Jefferson and Bob McClanahan.

Quick juniors Michael Harper and Anthony Gibson are behind Allen. Junior Jeff Simmons (21 catches) should be the split end, with 6-5 Malcom Moore in contention, and junior Timmy White (23.6 average on receptions) or seniors Jay Champlain and Greg Brady at flanker. Sophomores Fred Cornwell (6-5½, 230), Mark Boyer, and Nelson Wells and ex-linebackers Pat McCool and Drew Dossett are in a scramble at tight end.

There's not much scramble in the offensive line, where Robinson expects tackle Don Mosebar (6-7, 265) to join guard Roy Foster (6-4, 260) as an All-America. Bruce Matthews (6-5, 250) returns at the other guard. Juniors Darryl Moore (6-6, 260), Joe Murray (6-5, 260), and Kelly Thomas (6-6, 250) are bidding to replace All-America Keith Van Horne at the other tackle, with Tony Slaton (6-4, 245) and transfer Mike Brummett (6-5, 245) at center.

Six starters and one part-time starter, including three All-Pac 10 players, are back on defense. The down linemen—noseguard George Achica (6-5, 250) and tackles Dennis Edwards (6-4, 230) and Charlie Ussery (6-4, 240)—form one of the best groups in the country. There's another All-America prospect at linebacker in Chip Banks (6-5, 230) although his running mate, Riki Gray, has had knee surgery and is out for the season. The other starters should be junior Byron Darby (6-4, 225) and junior August Curley (6-3½, 219), sophomore Keith Browner (6-6½, 205), junior transfer Victor Vaca (6-2, 230), Tim Sullivan, or Jeff Brown.

The secondary returns only junior Joey Browner (6-3, 205) at one corner, but senior Joe Turner (6-2, 205) seems set opposite him. Candidates at safety include transfer Troy West (6-2, 200), juniors Tim Shannon (6-3, 200) and Marvin Williams (5-10, 184), and sophomores Kevin Roddy and Tony Brewer. Effective punter David Pryor (39.8 average) is back, and either sophomore Scott Livingston or freshman Steve Jordan will take over for Eric Hipp as placekicker. Overall prognosis: still more answers than questions. And a slight edge in earning another trip to Pasadena New Year's Day.

Pac-10 supremacy: Stanford QB John Elway of Stanford, flanked by OG Roy Foster (left) and TB Marcus Allen of Southern Cal

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UCLA

Terry Donahue's Bruins were only two touchdowns away from an unbeaten season in 1980 and, despite the loss of players like Kenny Easley and Freeman McNeil and nearly all the offensive line and linebackers, they could be right back at that heady plateau again. Because defense wins college football games, and the Bruins have defense. Eleven of the 16 players who started at least one game defensively for Donahue last year are back, and six of those are full-time starters from a unit that allowed only eight touchdowns rushing, 121.4 yards a game on the ground, and 134 points.

Junior tackle Irv Eatman, who doesn't have to be introduced to Ohio State's Art Schlichter, brings his bulk (6-7, 270) back to one tackle, with Joe Gary (6-5½, 265) and Mike Barbee (6-3½, 245) again at the other. Martin Moss (6-4, 250) and Karl Morgan (6-2, 241) divided noseguard responsibilities but either Kenny Page (6-4, 240) or Mark Ferguson (6-2½, 224) could step in ably there, too, and transfer Jeff Chaffin (6-4, 245) is bidding to play somewhere.

Scott Stauch, Arthur Akers, Avon Riley, and Larry Hall all must be replaced at linebacker. But former starters Brad Plemmons (6-4, 218) and Glenn Windom (6-3, 220), both seniors, appear to have recovered from knee problems and could open outside, although Ike Gordon (6-5, 230) and Doug West (6-4, 221) will give them an argument. The inside men are inexperienced—ex-running back Blanchard Montgomery (6-3, 232), sophomores Ron Butler (6-2½, 228), Gene Mewborn (6-3, 230), and Lee Knowles (6-1, 215), and junior Rex Gary (6-3½, 214). Butler and Mewborn are budding stars.

Easley can't be replaced in the secondary but the unit still will be better than average with juniors Lupe Sanchez (5-10, 190), Larry Thomas (5-10, 179), Mike Durden (6-2, 190), and Walter Lang (5-10, 176) at corners; Tom Sullivan (6-0, 190), Jimmy Turner (6-1, 190), and Don Rogers (6-1½, 200) at safeties.

Place-kicker Norm Johnson (10 of 14 field goals, 32 of 33 PAT's) is back but punter Matt McFarland isn't, so Donohue likely will choose between sophomore Kevin Buenafe and junior Ken Potter.

Quarterback Jay Schroeder has turned in his football cleats for baseball shoes but there's still depth at that position in six-game starter Tom Ramsey (6-1, 185) and sophomores Steve Bono and Rick Neuheisel. Kevin Nelson (5-11, 190), brother of Stanford star Darrin, will get McNeil's tailback job. He rushed for 481 yards as a freshman. Donohue is looking for the right man to back him up. Toa Saipale (6-2, 220), who red-shirted last year, or Frank Bruno (6-0, 228) should be the fullback.

The receiving corps is excellent. Starters Cormac Carney (33 catches) and Jojo Townsell (5-9½, 175) return outside, with Ricky Coffman, Mike Young, and Willie Curran in reserve. All-America hopeful Tim Wrightman (6-3½, 240) is at tight end; Paul Bergman (6-2½, 225) or Scot Tiesing (6-5½, 230) at the "zoom" position.

Donohue's most serious chore is replacing interior linemen Gregg Christiansen, Curt Mohl, Larry Lee, and John Tautolo. Honors candidate Luis Sharpe (6-6, 265) may move from tackle to center, although that could be altered if Dave Otey (6-3, 275) and Dan Dufour (6-4, 260) are recovered from knee surgeries. Others in line contention are Don Mahlstedt (6-6, 245), Mike Mason (6-7, 260), Steve Jones (6-6½, 260), Steve Gezma (6-8, 278), Kevin Cronin (6-4, 230), Scott Gordon (6-5, 250), Blake Wingle (6-2½, 265), Steve Williams (6-3, 235), Bob Cline (6-3, 255), and Mike Jolly (6-5, 265).

The Bruins' schedule has a lot of road games early, but not against powerhouses. If Donohue can bring his young offense to something approaching the quality of his defense by mid-October, it could well be another brilliant season.

WASHINGTON

The Huskies were not only sinless in 1980, they were good, and wound up in the Rose Bowl with a 6-1 Pac-10 record (9-3 overall). And Don James now has built a program that should be consistently competitive every season against the California schools. Like the majority of other conference teams, he could use a proven quarterback, and the offense overall will be green. But seven starters return on defense and the Huskies should be a factor in the Rose Bowl race if they don't win it again.









1981 ALL-WEST TEAM

OFFENSE			
Quarterback	John Elway	JR	Stanford
Running Back	Marcus Allen	SR	Southern Cal
Running Back	Darrin Nelson	SR	Stanford
Running Back	Gerald Willhite	SR	San Jose State
Wide Receiver	Andre Tyler	SR	Stanford
Wide Receiver	Rainey Meszaros	SR	Pacific
Tight End	Tim Wrightman	SR	UCLA
Tackle	Don Mosebar	JR	Southern Cal
Tackle	Brian Christensen	JR	Utah State
Guard	Roy Foster	SR	Southern Cal
Guard	Bruce Branch	JR	Arizona State
Center	John Macaulay	SR	Stanford
Place-kicker	Chuck Nelson	JR	Washington
DEFENSE			
Line	Irv Eatman	JR	UCLA
Line	George Achica	JR	Southern Cal
Line	Dennis Edwards	SR	Southern Cal
Line	Fletcher Jenkins	SR	Washington
Linebacker	Chip Banks	SR	Southern Cal
Linebacker	Rich Dixon	SR	California
Linebacker	Vernon Maxwell	JR	Arizona State
Back	Lupe Sanchez	JR	UCLA
Back	Mike Richardson	JR	Arizona State
Back	Gill Byrd	JR	San Jose State
Back	Steve Brown	JR	Oregon
Punter	Mike Black	JR	Arizona State

Things might be worse offensively if it weren't for the scoring punch of one of the nation's best place-kickers, junior Chuck Nelson (18 of 26 field goals, which tied a Pac-10 record, and 31 of 34 PAT's.) Junior letterman Tim Cowan (6-0, 181), promising sophomore Steve Pelluer (6-3, 198), and red-shirt Dave Stransky (6-1, 185) are battling to replace productive Tom Flick at quarterback.

They'll have a skilled cast of wide receivers in two-year starter Paul Skansi, Aaron Williams (28 catches for 595 yards), Anthony Allen (also a brilliant kick-return man), Danny Greene, and Mark Pattison. Converted fullback Willie Rosborough (6-4½, 231) and sophomore Leroy Lutu (6-4, 222) will vie for David Bayle's vacated tight end position. Running back could be more of a problem, since the No. 4 and No. 6 all-time school rushers, Touissant Tyler and Kyle Stevens, have departed. But there will be quality if tailback Vince Coby (6-0, 196) and fullback Clifton Johnson (6-1, 211) are over knee difficulties. Chris James (5-11, 216) and Brenno DeFeo (5-11½, 190) may play behind them.

The offensive line must be rebuilt for the second straight season. Juniors Paul Coty (6-3½, 231) and Scott Fausset (6-3, 259) will compete at center, with senior John Gardenshire (6-2, 270) and junior Eric Moran (6-5, 270) likely at tackle, senior Andy Bresolin (6-2, 252) and Pat Zakskorn (6-2½, 240) at guard, and junior Don Dow (6-6, 265) challenging at guard and tackle.

Defensively, things are much clearer. Fletcher Jenkins (6-2, 247), who reminds people of pro Doug Martin, and Mark Jerue (6-2½, 231) are exceptional linemen, and both are seniors. Junior Mark Stewart (6-3, 230) could be the Pac 10's best linebacker, and Ken Driscoll (5-11½, 216) is very talented. There are three strong backs—Ray Horton (5-11, 185), Bill Stapleton (6-0, 182), and Derek Harvey (5-11, 195).

Leading contenders to join them are linemen Ray Cattage (6-3½, 247), Dean Browning (6-3½, 235), and Scott Garnett (6-2, 248); linebackers Tony Caldwell (6-3, 221) and transfer Steve Necke (6-2, 220); and strong safety Chris O'Connor (6-0½, 187). Transfer Jeff Partridge, brother of pro Rick Partridge, should take over for Rich Camarillo as punter.

The Huskies' excellent punt- and kick-return personnel return almost intact. Washington ranked No. 2 in the country in punt returns with a 14.4-yard average, and Horton averaged 13.2 yards on 18 returns (No. 4 individually in the nation). Allen and Williams were instrumental in a team return average on kickoffs of 23.1 yards.

Recruiting appeared very good, and prep All-Americas like running back-defensive back Mike Vindivich (5-11½, 192), Michael Collins, Fred Small, and Dennis Soldat could be ready now. Obviously, James will do plenty of sorting. "There are just a lot of jobs open," he said in spring practice. But this will be a good team—and it's young enough that there's virtually no doubt it will get better, too.

ARIZONA STATE

"Stronger, faster, quicker, better in shape and technique." Those were the things being said about Darryl Rogers's second Sun Devil team in the spring. And the first one wasn't bad—7-4 and only a two-point loser to USC (along with Washington and UCLA in the Pac 10). Furthermore, just eight players of any consequence are gone and 19 full- or part-time starters are back, so if Rogers can shore up his wide receiver and defensive back positions, this will be a team with legitimate title aspirations.

Receivers John Mistler (who tied for the conference lead in receptions with 53) and running mates Melvin Hoover and Ron Washington will be the most difficult to replace. But returning tight ends Ron Wetzel and Jerry Bell caught 41 passes for 444 yards between them. And quarterback Mike Pagel (184 completions for 2,025 yards), perhaps the team's key man, will be back to throw to them, and to new wide men Bernard Henry (who played behind Mistler), James Hood (6-2, 190), Alex Wasil (6-0, 180), Eric Redenius, Jerome Washington, and frosh Mario Montgomery and Steve Evans.

Running back isn't a problem, since tailback Willie Gittens (759 yards rushing, 312 in punt returns, 314 in kickoff returns) and fullback Gerald Riggs (422 yards rushing) return. Alvin Moore (6-0, 197) is back and Robert Weathers and Mike Cade could return. The interior line should be good, too, with Tony Loia (6-3, 290) and John Meyer (6-6, 250) at tackles, Bruce Branch (6-4, 255) and gimpy-kneed Daryl Mueske (6-4, 245) at guards, and Dan Mackie (6-5, 250) at center. Branch is an All-America candidate.

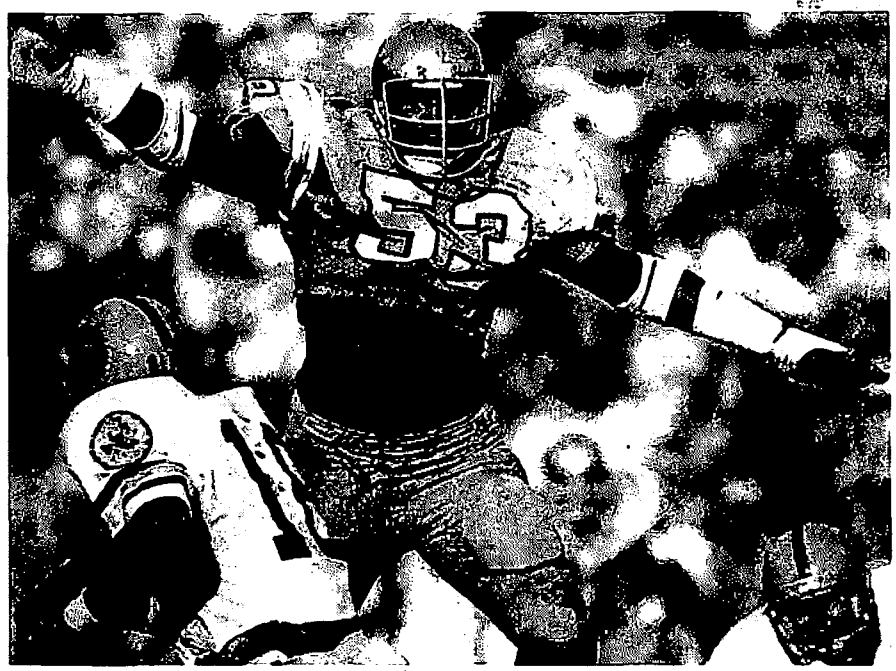
There are two more of those candidates on defense in outside linebacker Vernon Maxwell (6-3, 225), who runs a 4.5.40 and led the team in five defensive categories, and safety Mike Richardson (6-1, 192), who had eight interceptions. Bryan Caldwell will be at one end, with Reynaldo Peru (6-5, 235), Walt Boyer (6-6, 245), or Tony Baker (6-4, 245) at the other, and Jim Jeffcoat (6-6, 240) or Roy Edwards (6-2, 235) at noseguard. Darren Comeaux (6-2, 225) and Mark Hicks (6-2, 220) will work with Maxwell at outside backer, with Joey Lumpkin (6-2, 225) and Willie Green (6-4, 215), Wayne Apuna (6-2, 230), or John Sprein (6-3, 215) inside.

Senior cornerback Kendall Williams (5-10, 185) joins Richardson in the secondary, but after that there are questions. Can Ron Brown (5-10, 180) come back from a bad knee? Are transfers Paul Moyer (6-1, 200) and Duane Galloway (5-10, 185) ready to step in? Punting will again be handled by the Pac 10's best, Mike Black (43.4 average), but place-kicking still is wide open.

There are enough questions to keep the Sun Devils from knocking off the Big Three of the conference, but ASU should be plenty good. Maybe even good enough to give a solid—rather than a hokey—ring to their current highlight film: "Assault Force—'81." To help ascertain that, keep an eye on what happens when Arizona State meets Washington in Seattle October 3. Last year, the Rose Bowl-bound Huskies won, 25-0, at the same location. If the Sun Devils can reverse that, their future may look rosy . . . because they don't play USC.

OREGON

This not only has become a team with teeth, the schedule-maker has done it a real—perhaps crucial—favor this season. There's only one Pac-10 foe to face in the first five weeks (Washington) and that game is in Eugene. The Ducks also get UCLA at home, and don't meet USC at all. So a team that has improved from 2-9 in 1977 and 1978 to 6-3-2 last season (including wins over Washington and UCLA and a tie with USC) appears—at the least—to be a title contender. If Kevin Lusk can approximate the play of brilliant option quarterback Reggie Ogburn, it could be more than that.

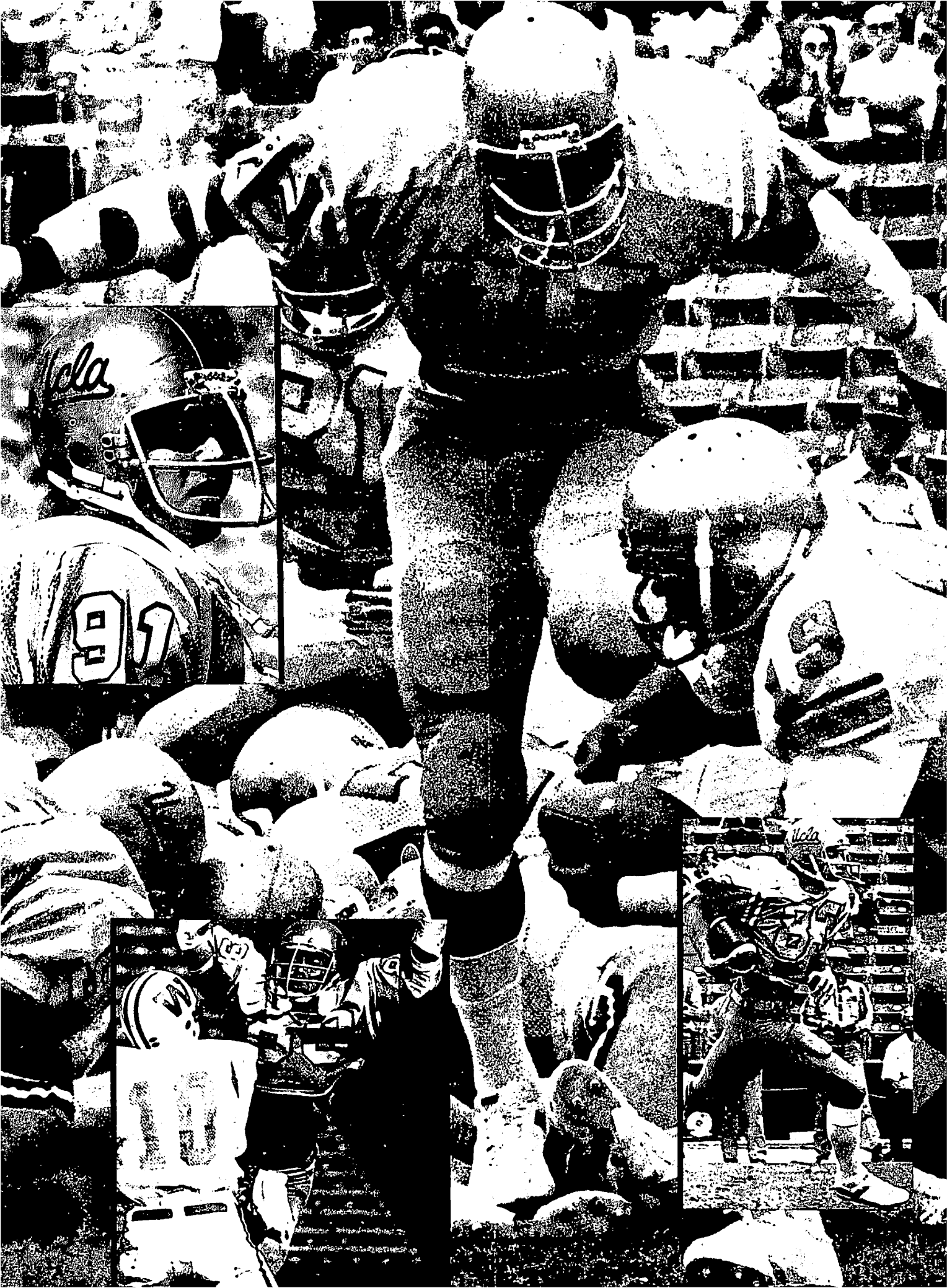


UCLA defensive tackle Joe Gary applies the pressure to Arizona State QB.

Lusk won't approach Ogburn's 527 net yards rushing, but he did complete 46 passes in 72 attempts (63.9%) and looks like a leader. And there's much depth and talent at running back in junior Reggie (Truck) Brown (775 yards), senior Vince Williams (out most of last season with a shoulder injury), Dwight Robertson, Ladaria Johnson, Terrance Jones, Charlie Bisharat, Don Davis, Choo Choo Young (359 yards in punt returns), and Harry Billups.

Curt Jackson is gone at wide receiver but

Among the best in the West are four USC Trojans (top to bottom): defensive tackle Dennis Edwards, linebacker Chip Banks, offensive tackle Don Mosebar, and NG George Achica.


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leading catcher Greg Moser (24 receptions) is back along with Mark James (15), Rourke Lowe, Jon Brosterhous, and red-shirt Osborne Thomas. Greg Hogensen (6-5, 237) returns at tight end but could be pushed by junior Tim Tyler and senior Mike McKinney.

The offensive line begins with center Mike Delegato (6-4, 235), a senior All-America candidate and four-year starter. Veteran Stu Yatsko (6-5, 255) and junior Scott Shepard (6-3, 245) are likely at guard with returning starter Jeff Kubitz (6-6, 240) and huge Garrett Earle (6-6, 260) probable at tackle.

Five seniors—tackle Vince Goldsmith key among them—depart from the starting defense, but Rich Brooks thinks the unit will be solid, nonetheless. Junior Mike Walter (6-4, 226) will be at one end, with letterman Gordon Bledsoe (6-2, 220) or converted middle linebacker Steve Baack (6-4, 229l) or ex-center Gary Zimmerman (6-6, 237) at the other. Goldsmith and Scott Setterlund should be replaced at tackle by Bill Lowder (6-4, 234), Ed Rhone (6-5, 260), Gerald Haynes (6-4, 275), or transfer Mike Gray (6-4, 250).

Linebacking looks good, with starter Andy Vobora (6-2, 222) and 1979 starter Mike Berkick (6-3, 224) outside along with Dwight Ford (6-2, 206), senior Ed Hagerty (6-2, 220), and junior Chris Cosgrove (6-3, 225) inside. Opportunistic junior Steve Brown (6-0, 176) heads a secondary that includes Ross Gibbs (5-11, 189), two-year starter Joe Figures (5-8, 180), Gary Beck (6-0, 204), Dennis Clay (5-9, 176), and Ken Lawler.

Place-kicker Doug Jollymour (32 points) is returning, but Brooks is looking for a punter to take over for departed veteran Mike Babb. Sophomore Ron Arca is competing with sub quarterback Mike Jorgensen. Man for man, the Ducks still don't have the talent of USC, UCLA, or Washington. But the schedule is extremely favorable and Brooks—under duress—has now proven he can compete with the big boys. "There may be several teams which ought to be considered valid championship contenders," he says. "I have to feel we might merit being included among them."

UCLA was 9-2 last season thanks to efforts from defensive tackle Irv Eatman (#75), receiver Cormac Carney (#83), defensive tackle Mike Barbee (#89), and TE Tim Wrightman (#91).

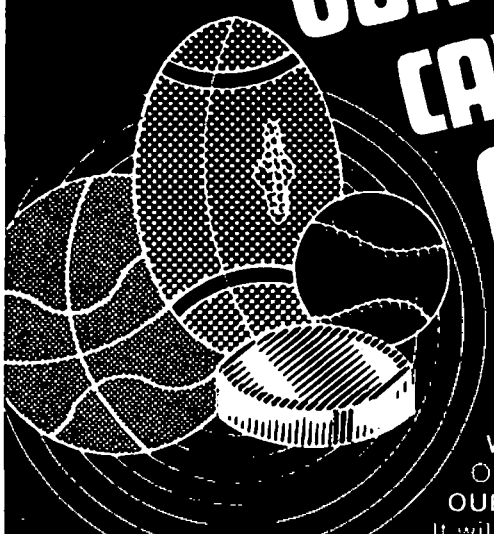
STANFORD

O.K., you predict what Stanford is going to do. I'd rather not. Well, I'll try, but the point is, no Pac 10 team has been as hard to chart over the years, and this year isn't any different. The Cardinals have a quarterback, junior John Elway, who is being called by some the finest they've ever seen—not just in the conference, but anywhere. It has the running and pass-catching magic of senior Darrin Nelson and All-America candidates in split end Andre Tyler (53 catches for 737 yards) and center John Macaulay (6-3, 242). But it also has an erratic defense that shut out Oklahoma for a half but gave up 30 points to Boston College—and a murderous schedule that includes Ohio State, Purdue, USC, UCLA, and Washington.



Quarterback Mike Pagel of Sun Devils

The offense has back seven starters from a unit that led the conference with 432.6 yards and 28.4 points per game. Joining Elway, the first sophomore to earn first team All-America notice since Tom Myers of Northwestern 18 years ago, and the aforementioned are tight end Chris Dressel (22 catches for 227 yards), tackle Jim Dykstra (6-6, 250), and guard Chris Rose (6-5, 255). Wide receiver Ken Margerum, tackle Brian Holloway, guard Mike Neill, and fullback Jim Brown should be replaced, respectively, by Mike Tolliver (6-0, 175), Steve Ballinger (6-6, 245) or Kenny Orvick (6-4, 240), John



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Delmare (6-3, 250), and Rob Moore (6-1, 217) or Mike Dotterer (6-0, 190). Some other offensive names must be mentioned: running back Vincent White (5-8, 170 and sort of a carbon copy of Nelson), who ran for 303 yards and had 26 receptions; wide receiver Emile Harry, a prep All-America at Fountain Valley High School, and freshman lineman John Barns (6-6½, 260), a Texas prep star last season.

The defense, which gave up 404.5 yards and 25 points a game, must be strengthened if the Cardinals are to improve their 6-5 record dramatically. Best things first: the secondary returns fine sophomore safety Vaughn Williams (31 tackles, five deflections), along with safety Kevin MacMillan (6-1, 185) and cornerback Kevin Baird (6-1, 185). Senior Rodney Gilmore (5-10, 165) is likely to take over for tough Rick Gervais at the other corner. Doug Rogers (6-5, 255) provides needed muscle at tackle, but there are questions after him up front. John Bergren (6-5, 240) may be at the other tackle with sophomore Kevin Lamar (6-4, 235) or senior Craig Awbrey (6-3, 240) at noseguard.

The linebacking picture, with Milt McColl gone and Kevin Bates injured, is a jumble. Starters will come from among Craig Zellmer (6-2, 225), Dave Morze (6-5, 225), Gary Wimmer (6-2, 220), and Pat Mitchell (6-5, 232) inside, and from touted Jay Summers (6-5, 225), Tom Hall (6-5, 210), Charles Collins (6-1, 212), and Kevin Bates outside.

One of the team's chief weapons, punter-place-kicker Ken Naber, Stanford's all-time leading scorer, is gone. Sophomore Mark Harmon will kick, and may punt, too. Second-year coach Paul Wiggin is concerned about getting Elway, Nelson, and friends enough time and enough holes on offense, but even more worried about what his defense can do to give them a little breathing room.





Western offensives: wide receiver Andre Tyler (above) and halfback Darrin Nelson (at right) of Stanford and tailback Brian Holland (left) of Arizona

ARIZONA

The Wildcats' fate will be decided early. Their first two games—and six of their first seven—are against Pac-10 opposition. So much depends on the quick futher development of four "super sophomores"—tailback Brian Holland (590 yards rushing), quarterback Tom Tunnicliffe (1,204 yards passing), inside linebacker Ricky Hunley (96 tackles), and middle guard Ivan Lesnick (41 tackles)—and how well second-year coach Larry Smith can restructure a decimated defensive secondary and develop depth in his offensive line and defense overall.

Smith's club was 5-6 last season, with the most notable moment an upset over No. 2-ranked UCLA. The Wildcats draw the revenge-minded Bruins in their September 12 opener this season, and if they are to repeat the surprise they'll have to do it without 23 seniors—including players such as defensive backs Dave Liggins, Marcellus Greene, and Reggie Ware; fullback Hubie Oliver, defensive tackle Mike Robinson, and offensive tackle Bill Jensen.

Tunnicliffe will try to hold off Mark Fulcher (fractured kneecap in 1980) at quarterback. Sophomore Rory Barnett (5-10, 216) figures to be at fullback supporting Holland. Returnee Bob Carter (23 catches) and red-shirt senior Alfondia Hill (6-3, 203) are probable starters at wide receivers, backed by Kevin Ward, Brad Anderson, and transfers Ron Stivers and Bruce Bush. Tight end is unsettled, with senior Bill Cook (6-2, 217), sophomore Don McMullin, and transfers Mark Gobel and Mark Keel vying.

There's strength in the interior line in fine guards Frank Kalil (6-3, 242) and Jeff Kiewel (6-4, 254), who may be moved to tackle; starter Chris Knudsen (6-4, 266), Neal Harris (6-5, 273), and Marsharne Graves (6-3, 261). Gerald Roper (6-3, 250), Mike Freeman (6-2, 235), and Rich Heide (6-3, 225) also are competing at guard; Glenn McCormick (6-5, 236) and Brian Christiansen (6-4, 237) at center.

Defensively, Greg McElhannon (6-2, 275) should be up front with either Gary Shaw (6-1, 234) or Chris Schultz (6-8, 254). Glenn Perkins (a brilliant performer who red-shirted because of a knee injury) and Hunley will be at inside linebacker, where depth is a question. Outside, there's plenty of experience in incumbents Jerry Krohn (6-2, 217) and Gary Gibson (6-2, 210), and in Kevin Hardcastle (6-2, 221), Bob Gareeb (6-2, 226), and Mike Meyer (6-3, 218).

The secondary could be a major concern, but cornerback Van Brandon (5-10, 190) and safety Alfred Gross (6-4, 190) have played some; safety Tony Neely (6-3, 197) is back after being out a year, and there are two promising transfers—Danny Copeland (6-0, 192) and Larry Smith (6-0, 193)—who may be good enough to start.

Place-kicker Brett Weber (team-leading 47 points) is back, as is punter Sergio Vega (41.9-yard average).

"I feel experience is one of our biggest strengths," says Smith. O.K., but it still appears to me that the Wildcats may be too young to tackle so many tough Pac-10 teams so soon and remain a contender until a soft, final month's schedule.



WASHINGTON STATE

This is going to seem a little strange after all those years of good offense, lousy defense. But Jim Walden needs point producers more than point deniers going into the 1981 season. Eight of the 11 players who led the Cougars to 394 yards a game in total offense (second best in the Pac-10) are gone. Eight of the 11 players who gave up 381 yards a game (sixth in the league) are back. But the defenders figure to be better, and they improved from ninth to sixth in the conference last season.

The only defensive losses were up front—noseguard Brian Flones and outside linebackers Scott Pelleur and Melvin Sanders. Back are inside linebackers Lee Blakeney (6-1, 215), who had a sparkling freshman season, and Ken Emmil (6-1, 215), and the entire secondary of Nate Bradley (6-0, 194), Jeff Files (6-2, 180), John West (6-1, 188), and Paul Sorensen (6-0, 190), one of the Pac-10's premier safetymen. Red-shirt Mike Walker (6-1, 250) should ably replace Flones, with red-shirt Ken

Johnson (6-0, 214), Matt Elisara (6-3, 250), and Ken Collins (6-3, 240) the leaders for the other spots. Walden thinks they'll form WSU's best defensive front in years.

Senior Tim Davey has been a consistently outstanding punter but someone must step forward to replace place-kicker Mike De Santo. That might be junior Ward Leland.

Gone are quarterback Samoa Samoa (2,121 yards in total offense), All-American tackle Allan Kennedy, second-leading rusher Mike Washington, and second-leading receiver Jim Whatley, among others. Walden is hopeful junior Clete Casper (6-3, 192) can play as well as Steve Grant and Samoa did the last two seasons without much experience.

But the offense will be built around top rusher Tim Harris (801 yards), senior tight end Pat Beach (20 catches for 318 yards), and guard Gary Patrick (6-3, 240). Jeff Poppe (6-0, 175) and Jeff Keller (6-0, 185) are likely to join Paul Escalera (6-2, 200) in a fight for the wide receiver spots. All are seniors with experience, because Whatley and Mike Wilson were often injured last season. The other running back will be Robert Williams (6-0, 205), Al Bowens, Mike Martin, Chris Williams, or transfer James Matthews (6-0, 200).

Probable in the line with Patrick are guards Mark McKay (6-3, 245) and John Dreyer (6-3, 240), tackles Kevin Sloan (6-7, 260) and Steve Sebahar (6-3, 250). Converted tackle Dan Lynch (6-4, 220) could be the center. Also figuring are John Winslow (6-4, 240), Charlie Flager (6-3, 250), Greg Porter (6-3, 240), and Mike Palumbo (6-3, 250). It should be noted that if Casper isn't up to leading the Cougar attack, two other quarterbacks—sophomore Rickey Turner and much-heralded freshman Mark Rypien of Spokane—are waiting.

The schedule in the first half of the season is very favorable, and while I doubt Walden will have the depth and balance to finish in the Pac 10's upper echelons, he's moving that way. At the least, the Cougars look dangerous.

CALIFORNIA

A 3-8 record put Roger Theder's job in jeopardy, but he survived the fire and has installed two assistants who could pay real dividends for the youthful Golden Bears (only three scholarship seniors) not far down the road. One is offensive coordinator Darrel (Mouse) Davis, whose "run and shoot" offense turned Neil Lomax into a star and Portland State into a scoring juggernaut. The other is defensive coordinator Ron Lynn (elevated from secondary coach), who built bristling defenses at Kent State, San Jose State, and Pacific.

Big (6-4, 200) Gale Gilbert and mobile J Torchio had to play at quarterback last season when Rich Campbell hurt a knee and will be an O.K. tandem again if one doesn't take charge. As usual the Bears will throw—to a collection of speedsters that may not be equalled in the conference. Tight end Davis Lewis (32 catches for 391 yards) and sprinter Terry Wiley will work as slot backs, in combination with wide receivers such as Floyd Eddings, who can blaze when his legs are healthy; JC All-America Mariet Ford (5-10, 170); freshman Terry White, and perhaps Tyrone Portee and Tyran Wright.



Arizona soph linebacker Ricky Hunley

Versatile John Tuggle (580 yards rushing, 36 receptions) is a solid fullback, backed by another guy who can run, sophomore Carl Montgomery (6-0, 200). And Theder is high on his offensive line, led by honors candidate

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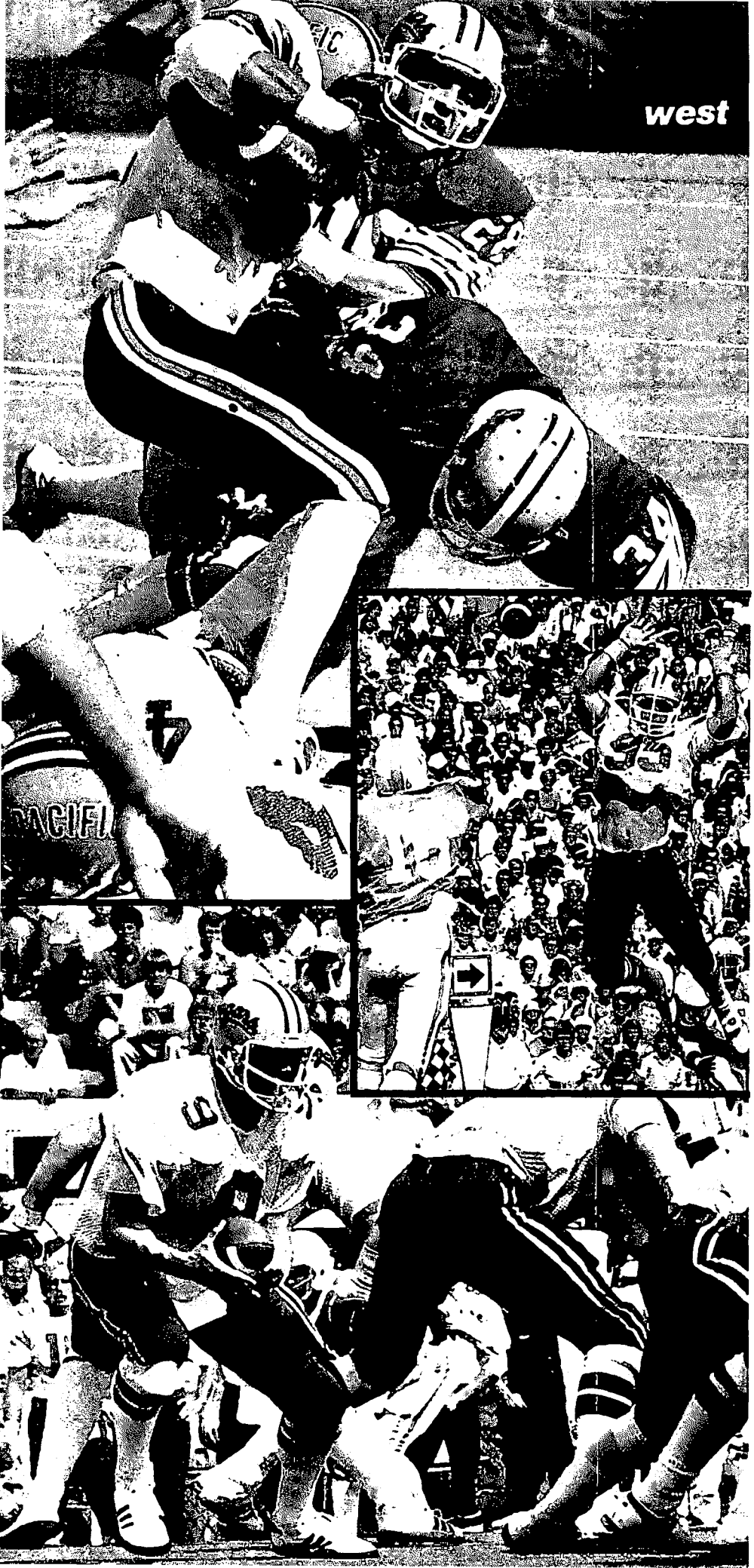
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Harvey Salem (6-7, 260), a junior tackle. At guard are starter Tim Galas (6-1, 250) and part-time starter Tim Bailey (6-4, 255), with massive red-shirt Bob Fodor (6-7, 270) likely at the other tackle, and Pat Brady (6-2, 245), Brian Hillesland (6-5, 250), Steve Pas (6-3, 255), and Greg Loberg (6-4, 240) vying at center.

The best player on the team may be on defense. He's third-team All-America Rich Dixon (6-3, 220) at outside linebacker. The major question is the front three—probably Rich Stachowski (6-4, 245) and Reggie Camp (6-4, 235) at tackles and sophomore John Haina (6-2, 230) at noseguard. Linebacking behind Dixon is apparently sound, with Paul Najarian (6-3, 205) and Steve Cacciari (6-3, 220) inside and either Ron Rivera (6-3, 235) or Tim Lucas (6-3, 210) at the other outside spot. Freshman Keith Poe (6-1, 235) could contribute right away, too.

The secondary is deep, thanks to Freddie Williams (5-9, 185), a junior who has started every game since 1979, and John Sullivan (6-1, 180), Mike Lozica (6-1, 185), Richard Rogers (6-0, 190), Kevin Moen (6-2, 190), Gregg Beagle, and Ahmad Anderson. David Carter (6-3, 195) is a touted freshman defender.

Joe Cooper figures to replace talented placekicker Mick Luckhurst, with Mike Ahr (39-yard average) and Mike Fortunato (38.8) back to handle the punting.

On paper, this is a team with talent. But it is awfully green talent. And there probably isn't much Theder, Davis, Lynn, et al can do to ripen it soon enough to meet a schedule that includes Georgia, Texas A&M, and San Jose State, along with every Pac 10 team but Oregon. The passing offense, like Stanford's, should be exciting to watch, but this likely is going to be a learning—not a winning—year in Berkeley.

OREGON STATE

About the only thing you can do after an 0-11 season is talk bravely about the future. And candidly. Thus Beaver coach Joe Avezzano, starting his second season, says: "My experience is that you walk before you run, but at OSU we have got to crawl first, and that's where we are."

Among other things, Avezzano needs size and speed—the latter noticeably missing in 1980—more quantity and quality in both lines, and more depth in everything. All of those deficiencies won't be remedied in one season—or several. But Avezzano is starting.

Almost lost in the gloom last year were the play of Roger Levasa (6-2, 255), who may be the Pac 10's best center, and wide receiver Victor Simmons (37 catches for 500 yards). They'll lead a fairly promising offense that will shape up this way elsewhere: Ed Singler, who completed a school-record 58.9 percent of his passes, will be at quarterback, although several youngsters could challenge. Randy Holmes (410 yards) is likely at one running back, with Bryce Oglesby (5-9, 205), Darryl Minor (6-0, 168), or Bob Johnson (6-2, 201) with him, replacing leading rusher, pass receiver, and scorer Tony Robinson.

Ron Vogel (28 catches) and Chris Smith (6-3½, 219) make tight end one of the team's stronger positions, but the other wide receiver spot is open. The top candidates look like Flem

Linebacker Ken Emmil (#34), safety Paul Sorensen (#28), defensive tackle Ken Collins (#95), and quarterback Cleto Casper (#9) of Washington St.

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Hollis, Armond Chong, and converted tailback Tim Sim. Avezzano lost talent from his offensive line, probably the Beavers' most consistent unit in 1980, so it must be rebuilt around Levasa. Eric Pettigrew (6-5, 259) looks solid at one tackle; transfer Mark Bonner (6-5, 255) should be at one guard. The other two spots are real tossups, with juniors Jim Wilson (6-3, 231) and Joe Carnahan (6-5, 237), senior Mike McKelvey (6-2, 224), and several freshmen as possibilities.



California defensive back Freddie Williams is suberb one-on-one player.

Avezzano is justifiably concerned about a defense that surrendered 35 points per game, and has tried to beef up a bit with JC transfers. Nick Westerberg will be tough to replace in the line, but junior Tyrone Howard (6-7, 220) is getting bigger and better, and sophomore Angelo DiLulo (6-1, 230) is a promising noseguard. Four transfers—ends Jeff Boyd (6-4, 210) and Willie Crowley (6-3, 225), tackle Kenneth Gray (6-5, 225), and guard Maurice Porter (6-3, 240) have big chances to play, along with returnees Darren Couts, Craig Sowash, Eric Bosworth, and Bob Johnson.

Linebacking should be better, with sophomore Carl Keever (6-2, 231), junior Derek Warren (6-1, 218), and senior J.J. Gracio (5-10½, 221). The secondary, not strong last year, is led by cornerback Forrest Pellum (6-0, 173) and safety Mark Hettum (5-9, 188). Toss a coin after that among junior returnees Tom Critser, Terry Harris, and DeMonty Price, and transfers Rickey Spencer (6-1, 190), Michael Mackey 6-2, 195), Lee Smith (6-0, 202), and Brian Waters (5-6, 160).

Chris Mangold, who hit on just 4 of 12 field-goal tries and averaged 38.5 yards punting, again is scheduled to handle the Beavers' kicking. There just don't seem to be the tools yet to meet a full Pac-10 schedule plus Oklahoma, LSU, and Minnesota.

PACIFIC COAST AA

SAN JOSE STATE

Coming off an erratic 7-4 season in which his Spartans beat Baylor and Washington State but lost to Long Beach State and Utah State, Jack Elway went out seeking transfer talent, and found what he calls "the best JC recruiting crop in the country." He emphasized offensive linemen, and now has nine men averaging 6-3½ and 248 pounds to clear the way for Heisman Trophy candidate Gerald Willhite, the 5-10, 185-pound senior tailback who in 1980 became only the second player in NCAA history to rush for more than 1,000 yards (1,210) and catch more than 50 passes (55) in the same season.

An offense that has averaged 29 points a game during Elway's two years at the school also will include quarterbacks Steve Clarkson (PCAA leader in total offense) and Jack Overstreet, wide receiver Stacey Bailey (30 catches), tight end Tracy Franz (29), and wingback Tim Kearse (30). Red-shirt Mario Thornton or USC transfer Mervyn Fernandez may replace deep threat Mark Nichols, and transfer Roy Smally (5-11, 203) is favored to move in alongside Willhite. The big name in the line is three-time All-PCAA tackle Max Hooper (6-3, 271). Transfer Ken Delgado, a JC All-America, should play somewhere.

Defensively, the secondary is intact, with Gill Byrd (5-11, 192), an honorable mention All-America, and Dewayne Butler (6-1, 171) at the corners and Glen McClaren (5-9, 194) and Ken Thomas (5-11, 216) at safeties. Tackle Larry Alexander (6-3, 250) is the only starter back in the line but Damon Keeve (6-1, 215) and Ken Woodburn (6-3, 225) return at inside linebacker, along with 1979 All-PCAA selection Cheyenne Tuufuli (6-0, 235), hurt last season.

Mike Berg (50 points) will return to handle place-kicking, with Hugh Williamson replacing Frank Ratto as the punter. Overall, experience—particularly in both lines—is a question. But talent is not.

UTAH STATE

Bruce Snyder is consistent. In the three seasons his Aggie teams have played in the PCAA they've tied for first twice and finished second once (in 1980). But if they're to do as well this season, Snyder must rework his offense and find a new quarterback, seemingly a perennial assignment.

Of Snyder's 32 returning lettermen, 18 are on defense, including 8 starters. The anchor is All-PCAA tackle Mike Perko (6-4, 245), who will work up front with Shawn Miller (6-4, 235) and J.L.Coon (6-0, 240), the conference heavyweight wrestling champ. Back, too, are inside linebackers David Bluford (6-2, 220) and Dennis DeLoach (6-2, 230), both All-PCAA picks, and the entire secondary—corners Larry Hogue (5-9, 175) and Rodney Clayton (5-10, 175) and safeties Kevin Brady (5-11, 182) and Thomas Bates (6-2, 185).

On offense, the line will be constructed around massive Brian (Andre the Giant) Christensen (6-5, 275), only a junior. Returning with him are guard Skip Clampett (6-2, 243) and tight end Kelly Treseder (6-2, 235). Snyder can pick from among three experienced junior tailbacks—Marvin Jackson (6-0, 191), Maurice Turner (6-0, 204), or Nate Jones (6-1, 220). Bidding to replace quarterback Bob Gagliano (2,365 yards passing) are junior Chico Canales (6-2, 175), who played only briefly, and three sophomores—Doug Samuels (6-3, 190), Paul Petros (6-1, 203), and Henry Omana (6-3, 205).

The kicking game appears strong again, with Guy McClure (41.4-yard average), who has won three straight PCAA punting titles, and Dale Money, who will replace graduated place-kicker Steve Steinke. The Aggies were 6-5 in 1980 but lost only once in their last five starts, and would have tied for the top spot in the conference again if they could have held on to a 27-7 fourth quarter lead over Long Beach State (they lost, 28-27).

LONG BEACH STATE

Talk about a rebuilding job. Dave Currey is minus 17 starters, including 15 who earned All-PCAA recognition, from an 8-3 team that won all five of its conference games. He does have 27 lettermen, and says that this will be his strongest team in terms of physical strength, but 22 transfers, four freshmen, and some outstanding red-shirts must play well if the 49ers are to approach their 1980 performance.

Offensively, Currey is looking at a tall quarterback, a short one, a left-handed one, and a right-handed one to try to replace Kevin Starkey. In order, they are Paul Gagliardi, Angelo Gasca, Kevin Sampson, and Doug Disney. Only Gasca has played a down at Long Beach. Ron Settles, who gained 433 yards despite missing four games with rib problems, could be a standout tailback, and starter Doug Land (6-2, 220) returns at fullback.

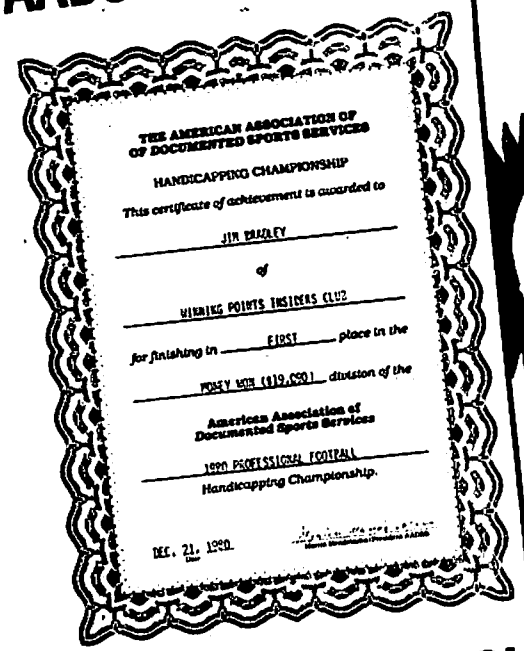
The offensive line should be excellent, led by tackle Buddy Hindman (6-3, 250), guard Scott Heron (6-2, 240), and tight end Jim Donnelly (6-4, 243). Currey will take long looks at new



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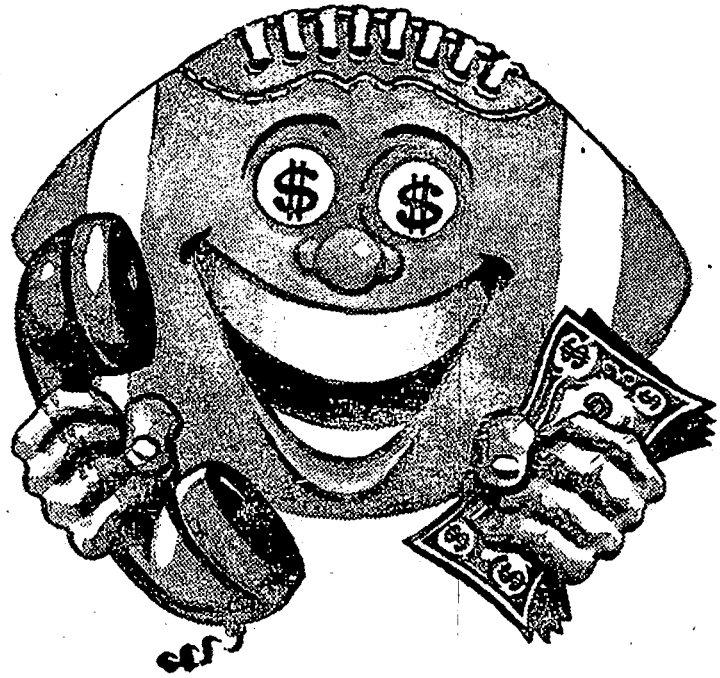
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receivers Bill Ervin (4.4 in the 40), James Davis, and Ken Wright, and at returnees Louis Leidelmeyer, Scott Marshall, and Darryl Stokes.

On defense, there's strength in the secondary in cornerbacks Erwyn Anderson (four interceptions) and Kevin Ray and safeties John Carr, Dan Worthington, and Mike Schaich, plus good transfer help. Holdovers Anthony Swain (6-2, 234) and Greg Schoonover (6-2, 235) and JC All-America Mike Dunivan (6-3, 240) are the front runners in the defensive line; Ken Bielman (6-2, 230) returns at linebacker and Mike Otis, Eric Johnson, and Rick Gonzalez all have experience. Red-shirt David Howard (6-2, 212) may well move in. Mike Horan (40.8 average) will punt again with transfer Guy Johnson replacing record-setting place-kicker Ralph Petrosian.

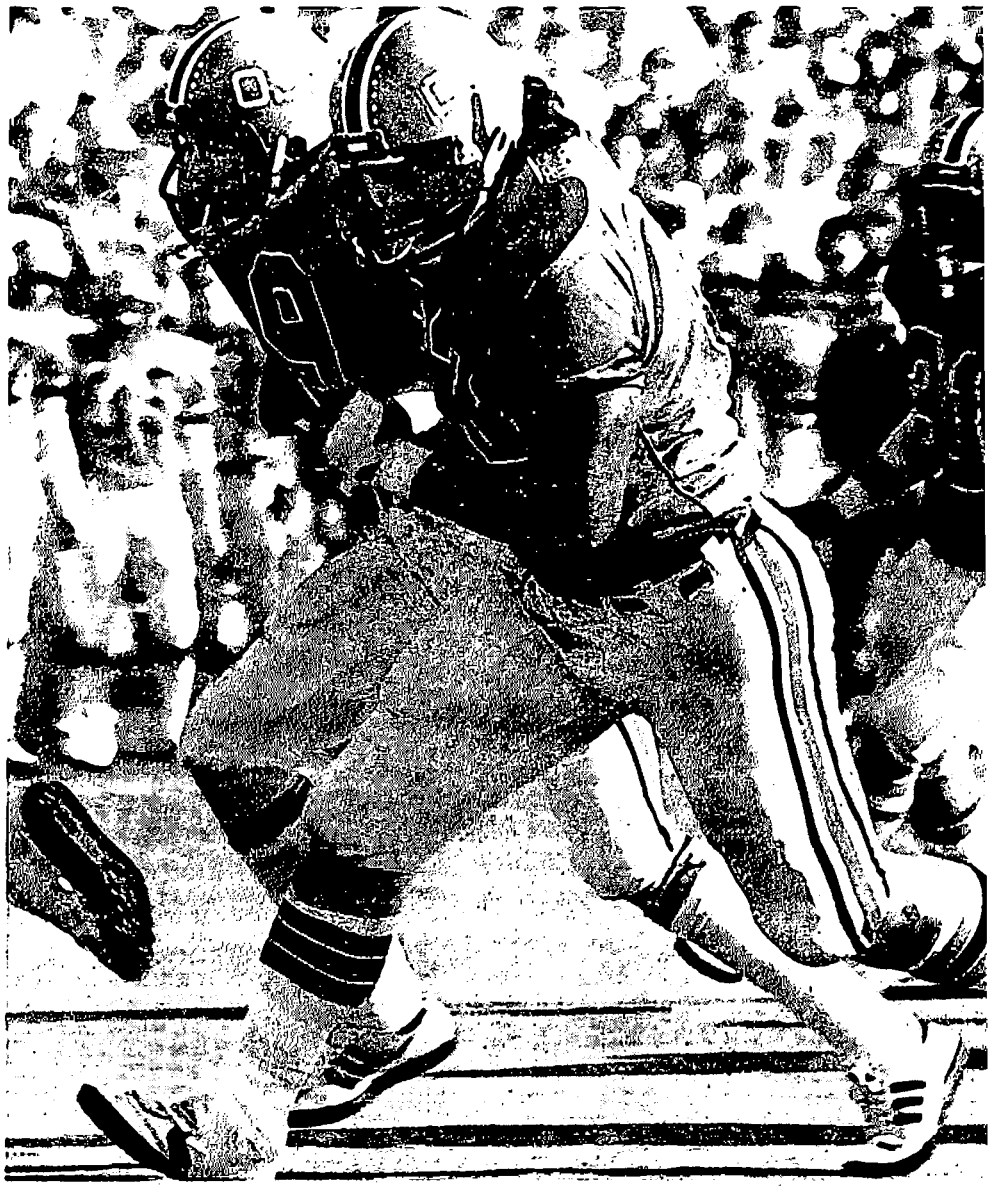
FRESNO STATE

Last season, Jim Sweeney's Bulldogs had the leading defense in the PCAA. If they're to better a 5-6 record (1-4 in the conference), they'll have to have a whole lot of offense this season. Sweeney loses 7 of his 11 starting defenders, including pro draftee Anthony Washington from his secondary. And seven top players are gone from the front line.

Returning are linebacker Craig Nicolopulos (6-1, 214) and backs Steve Cordle, Melvin Graves, and Tim Washington. With team MVP Bubba Stevens—"the dominant force on our defense last year," Sweeney says—gone, immediate help will be needed from Kevin Jones (6-4, 230), Tony Vega (6-4, 230), Mark Perri (6-3, 235), John Stevens (6-3, 245), Kevin Taylor (6-4, 240), and Clyde Glover (6-7, 245). Bidding to step in at linebacker are transfers Morris Brown (6-3, 240) and Joe Young (6-4, 210) and returnees Dominic Colchico, Bobby Stevenson, Duke Grazier, and Glenn McNair. Red-shirts Matt McKnight and Kent Paine, transfer Ondray Richardson, and freshman Jim Nottoli will compete in the secondary.



The offense returns quarterback Sergio Toscano (who will be pressed by transfer Jeff Tedford), running backs Steve Woods (357 yards) and Ted Torosian (520), tight end Bill Griever (6-3, 217), wide receiver Henry Ellard (28 catches for 493 yards), and linemen Brett Lawson (6-2, 236), Steve Houston (6-3, 222), Bob Frye (6-4, 268), and Kent Tucker (6-2, 210). Dan Rainey (a red-shirt transfer from Pittsburgh) and transfer Ron Johnstone figure to get some action at running back, Barry Nua at tight end, Steve Mooshagian and Keith Day at wide receiver. The kicking game should be no problem, with returning punter Rusty Karracker and strong-legged transfer place-kicker Scott Darrow.



Senior center Roger Levasa (above) has started all but five games at Oregon State; Utah State tackle Brian Christensen (left) is first-team All-West pick.

PACIFIC

The Tigers will be awfully young and the schedule is another meat-grinder, but Bob Toledo looks as if he's beginning to put together a decent program. Included in last season's four wins (in 12 games) was an upset victory vs. Washington State.

Toledo has two of the nation's finest players: wide receiver Rainey Meszaros (6-2, 181), who led the country in pass receptions with 68 and in pass receiving yardage with 1,062, and inside linebacker Kirk Harmon (6-3, 236). If outside linebacker Mike Merriweather (6-3, 213) is recovered from a leg injury, he could be in their class.

Pass-happy Toledo has late-season starter Harley Miller, nine-game starter Grayson Rogers, and red-shirt Sander Markel vying at quarterback. Gary Blackwell (5-11, 205) and Kirby Warren (6-1, 186) return at running back but help is needed from UCLA transfer David Brown (6-2, 210). Sophomore Garry Parcells (5-11, 176) may replace Bob Wilson at the other wide receiver spot, with Paul Schreiner (6-2, 234) and Tony Camp (6-4, 240) at tight end. Kurt Hout (6-4, 255), Dan McGahan (6-2, 233), and Rick Penn (6-6, 251) head a big but inexperienced offensive line.

Defensively, Toledo is more confident. Cary Smith (6-6), 242), Marcus Perro (6-4, 260), and George Dunlap (6-2, 235) should be up front with gimpy-kneed Thomas Cowling (6-2, 200), returnees Scott Grady (6-1, 211), and Kevin Einck (6-2, 228) and transfer Bob Kochman (6-2, 210) bidding to join Harmon and Merriweather. Corner Terry Thomas (6-0, 180) and fine safety Stan Shibata (6-0, 185) appear set as starters, and there's depth elsewhere in the secondary. The kicking game is intact with punter Miller and placement men Jeff Council and Scott Kinney.

CAL ST. FULLERTON

Gene Murphy's year of experience as head coach of the Titans will help, but the loss of 15

starters (8 on defense) off a 4-7 team, will not. It may be easier for Murphy to replace three All-PCAA defenders, Bobby Kemp, John Burgartz, and Richard Aguilar, than one man on offense—running back John Rayford—because Rayford accounted for 61 percent of the team's rushing and 28 percent of its pass receiving.

Senior Tom St. Jacques, who broke eight school passing records, is back at quarterback but may be pressed hard by sophomore Bob Caffrey. The No. 2 and No. 3 rushers, Ken Jackson and Tony Bushala, will do what they can to make up for Rayford's production, and star sophomore kick returner Bobby Reynolds might help, as well. Norman Brown and Jeff York, who shared time with Jan De Loch and Kevin Allen in 1980, are back at wide receiver; Ed Wooster at tight end. There are vacancies at guard but two-time All-PCAA pick Harris Burnett (6-3, 260) returns at center, Alan Krueger (6-4, 250) and Steve Herring (6-3, 260) at tackles.

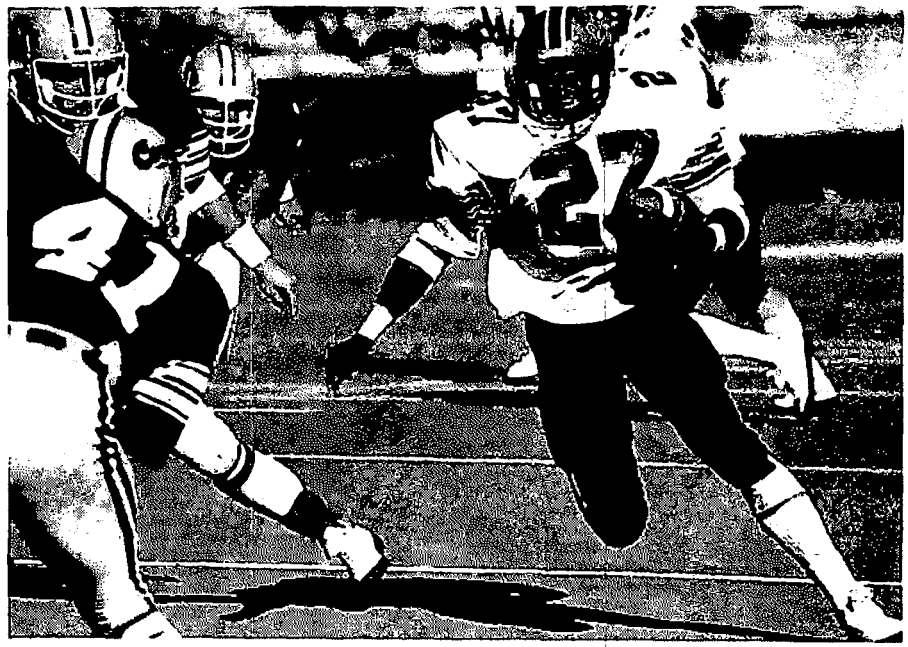
Defensively, things are much less sure, because the only starters back are tackle Mike Kennedy (6-4, 250), safety Doug Boswell (6-0, 195), and Greg Gary (6-1, 200), who's shifting from cornerback to end. Figuring in the line are Al Clark (6-2, 195), Ray Carlos (6-5, 250), Henry Aguilar (6-0, 245), Phil Ofisa (5-11, 220), Wayne Mitchell (6-1, 200), and transfers Craig Mitchell (5-11, 228) and John Gleason (6-3, 225). Sophomore Terry Hubbard (6-2, 210) and UCLA transfer Rick Senteno (6-2, 215) should add speed at linebacker, helped by transfer Mark Quinn (5-11, 200). Dale Thompson (6-0, 176) and Rod Webster (5-11, 190) will aid Boswell in the secondary. The fourth spot looks open.

INDEPENDENTS

PORTLAND STATE

Don Read is back as head coach after a ten-year absence as the Vikings leave division I-AA play for division II. The same wide-open attack is likely, even though coach Darrel (Mouse) Davis and quarterback Neil Lomax are gone. Lloyd LaFrance will be throwing to Kenny Johnson (72 catches), Dave Simantel, Jeff Rudolph, Jeff Peterson, and perhaps Stuart Gaussoin (hurt last year, but 90 catches in 1979). Three are seven starters back on defense from an 8-3 team, led by noseguard Fred (See Red) Nordgren (225) and linebacker Mark Peterson (220).





SANTA CLARA

An encore will be tough for Pat Malley and the Broncos, who were 9-3 and made the NCAA division II semi-finals for the first time. Fifteen starters return, but Mike Heinrich must step in well for Dave Alfaro at quarterback. There is a large group of quality players back, notably running backs Tyrone Forte (853 yards) and Keith Pedescleaux, receiver Perry Parmalee (44 catches for 965 yards), offensive tackle Don Brown (6-5, 250), defensive tackle Greg O'Leary (6-2, 235), noseguard Rey Mendizabal (6-2, 248), linebacker Dave Ramona (6-1, 218), and cornerback Chris Lundy (5-11, 175).

AZUSA PACIFIC

Jim Milhon's Tigers jelled for an 8-2 record and 20th national ranking in 1980 and only five starters are gone. Back on offense are wide receiver Paul Nath (152 catches in three seasons), running back Rod Martin (more than 700 yards rushing in 1980), quarterback Dave Williams, and linemen Jim Beatty (6-3, 230) and Greg Grandel (5-9, 195). Linebacker Norm Slosted will be missed but Milhon can call on lineman Doug Barnett (6-4, 252), linebacker Ron Ponciano (6-0, 210), and cornerback Ron Cochran, twice all-district player, who has 20 interceptions.

CAL LUTHERAN

Bob Shoup has only four offensive starters off a 7-2-1 team back to face a rugged schedule. Quarterbacks Craig Moropoulos (6-1, 210) and transfer Mike Jones (BYU) will be throwing often to Steve Hagen (6-2, 180) and Mark Sutton (6-0, 180). Senior Kingsley Kallas (6-1, 210) heads Kingsmen's offensive line. The defense is deeper, with players such as Tad Wygal (6-1, 230) and Tom Smith (6-3, 230) in the line, Rick Prell (6-0, 212), Victor Hill (6-0, 190), and Kent Jorgensen (6-1, 200) at linebacker, and Jeff Orlando (5-9, 175) in the secondary.

PUGET SOUND

Stronger offense, untested defense, outstanding kicking game, rugged schedule. That's the story for Ron Simonson's 6-3 Loggers. Crack sophomore quarterback Steve Hunt (57.1 completion percentage), running backs Rick Lindblad (435 yards) and Ron Bagby (leading NCAA division II punt returner), receiver Mike Bos (33 catches), and guard Ted Parry (6-0, 225) head the offense; noseguard Bob

RB Kirby Warren (above) and defense men George Dunlap, Kirk Harmon, and Mike Merriweather of Pacific

OHIO STATE FANS!!!!!

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Jackson (6-1, 185) and back Greg Jackson (6-1, 195) and Buster Crook (5-8, 144) the defense. Monty Laughlin is an excellent double-duty kicker (41 points in 1980).

U. SAN DIEGO

Bill Williams has 30 lettermen, including 11 starters, back from a 6-5 team, and his offense should be improved. But he's concerned about youth on defense. Leading the offense are running backs Joe Henry (650 yards) and Jim Smith, quarterback Steve Loomis (6-3, 185), wide receivers Steve Beauswaert, Ron Guzman, and Mike Rish, and tight end Mike Ledbetter (6-1, 213). The secondary is intact with Chuck Pillon (six interceptions), Chris Levine, Dan Herbert, and Scott McKay; Bruce Ognibene (5-11, 190) returns at noseguard, Dave Westhem (6-1, 205) at linebacker.

ST. MARY'S

The Gaels had a five-game winning streak in 1980 but closed with five straight losses for a 5-6 over-all record. Dick Mannini thinks he'll get a needed boost in his passing offense from new quarterbacks Scott Ruiz (6-3, 215) and Gary Toretta (6-2, 208) and from veteran receivers John Arnaudon and Al Varela; Craig Breland is a solid back and Mike Conway (5-10, 210) and Dan Mahoney (6-2, 230) are fine lineman. The team's best defender (and player) is brilliant cornerback Fran McDermott (5-10, 175), whose skills include kickoff returns (28.2 yard average the last two years).

SONOMA STATE

Milt Cerf's Cossacks were 5-4 last season in a building program and figure they can play with anyone on their schedule if the offensive and defensive lines can be strengthened. Quarterbacks Jeff Lyle (6-1, 190) and Danny Reyes (6-1, 215) will work with runners Marck Wright (5-10, 195), Daryl Valdez (5-8, 180), and Joseph Siders (6-1, 185) and with catchers Rick McClung (6-2, 190) and Barry Fogal (6-0, 190). The defense returns backs Michael Bobino (6-2, 184) and Victor Eddens (6-4, 210), lineman John Galant (5-10, 220), and linebacker James Cerf (6-0, 205).

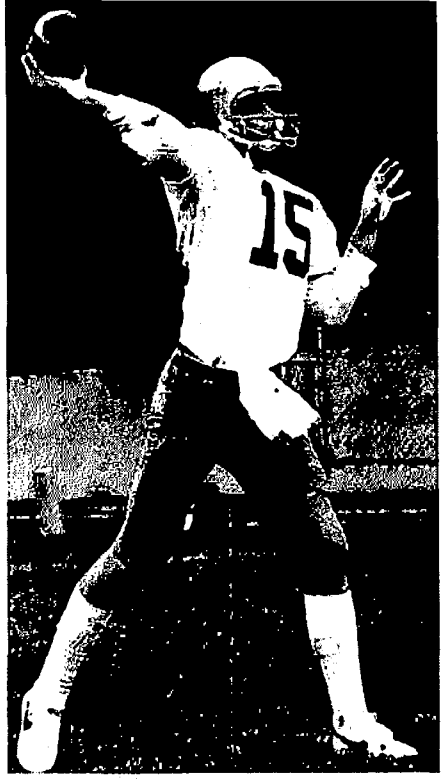
CHAPMAN

Ex-All Pro lineman and Tom Landry assistant Brad Ecklund comes off a 3-7 record in his Panthers' first season of college play. But he's already rebuilding. Ex-Marine quarterback Mark Sharp (6-5, 220) may free Bill Christian (5-10, 170) for fullback duty. Bernie Harris (5-10, 170) is back at tailback; Greg Hubbard (5-8, 175) at wide receiver; Gary Mundy, Paul Davis, and Steve Russell in the offensive line. On defense, linebackers Trosclair Seals (6-2, 225), Eric Van Skike (6-4, 240), and back Eddie Ricketts (6-0, 170) appear to be the key men.

FAR WESTERN

UC DAVIS

Jim Sochor and his Aggies kept the strings alive in 1980—ten straight conference titles and 38 league wins in a row—but defense was a problem in a 7-2-1 season, and may be again, particularly in the line. There will be plenty of offense with 6-4, 205-pound junior quarterback Ken O'Brien (2,180 yards; second-ranked in NCAA division II passing efficiency), wide receiver Jon Delfatti (21 receptions), and lineman Ron Smith (6-0, 260) and Frank Scalerico (5-11, 222). But leading rusher Ronnie Austin is gone. Key defenders are linebackers Don Barker (6-0, 205) and Larry Bradley (6-1, 210), tackle Troy Fringer (6-2, 250), and corner Daryl Thomas (6-2, 180).



Cal Davis quarterback Ken O'Brien (above) and San Francisco St. running back Steve "Soup" Campbell (below)

CAL ST. HAYWARD

The Pioneers rebounded to finish 6-4 overall, 3-2 in conference play, and Tim Tierney will be working with eight starters on both offense and defense. Three All-FWC picks—tackle Mitch Bigger (6-1, 210), linebacker Dan Walsh (5-11, 195), and safety Jay Shipe (5-11, 195)—are big names in the unit that headed the conference in total defense. Players to watch on offense are linemen Mike Baker (6-3, 230) and Joe Del Querra (6-0, 224), quarterback Pete Schober (6-2, 205), fullback Gregg Jones (5-10, 200), and leading receiver Ray Arnold (6-0, 185).

CHICO STATE

Dick Trimmer plans to throw more in hopes of improving a 5-5 record (3-2, second-place tie in FWC) and has back senior QB Rich Goularte (1,353 yards passing despite missing the last two games with a broken ankle) and receivers Al Tagami, Jeff Holland, and Jay Ryan, who combined for 34 catches and 600 yards. Goularte's pass-efficiency rating (131.7) is the best in school history. Trimmer should have a good nucleus on defense, too, with the main men linemen Bill Kropog (6-3, 244), Jacques Sandoval (6-0, 211), and Edwin Pagan (6-1 201). The schedule is tough.

SACRAMENTO STATE

The Hornets were only 3-7 but finished strong (beating Cal Poly San Luis Obispo) and Bob Mattos thinks he'll have a contender this season with 18 starters back. Running back John Farley (931 yards), receiver Ottis Gillespie (24 catches, 23.8-yard average), and linemen Chris Nelson (6-2, 241), Randy Bingham (5-11, 220), and Mike Taylor (6-3, 252) are the offensive stars. Heading a tough defensive line is tackle Tony Miller (6-2, 231); Mike Brown (6-0, 171) and Jim Verduzco (5-10, 173) are fine cornerbacks and Stu Hall (37.8-yard average) is a solid punter.

SAN FRANCISCO ST.

Vic Rowen's Gators, 3-6-1 overall, 2-3 in conference play, probably will rise or fall on a high-powered offense led by quarterback Russ Jensen (6-2, 205), who had the second-best passing season in school history (154 of 301 passes for 2,027 yards), receivers Lamonte Wilson (26 catches for 515 yards) and newcomer John Williams (6-1, 182), and running back Steve (Soup) Campbell (473 yards rushing). Gone is star kicker Alan Dewart. The defensive leader will be senior free safety Don Sutton (6-0, 178), who has had 21 interceptions in three seasons.

HUMBOLDT STATE

Bud Van Deren had his worst season (2-8) in 15 years as coach of the Loggers and is rebuilding. But he thinks he can be competitive. He'll be relying on inconsistent quarterback Bill Plant (56 percent completion average), tight end Steve Finley (39 receptions), wide receiver Mark Coniglio (37 catches), center Brian Neilson, and freshman tackle Fritz Nelson (6-4, 270) for offense and on free safety Dean Diaz (leading FWC interceptor), linebackers Kurt Garl (team MVP) and Lance Hunter (6-2, 215), and fine noseguard Dave Rush, hurt last season, on defense.

CALIFORNIA COLLEGIATE

CAL POLY SAN LUIS OBISPO

The Mustangs won the 1980 NCAA division II championship last season but lose 16 starters from that 10-3 team. Joe Harper said in the spring, "We're really starting from ground zero." Harper's youngest team in 14 seasons will sorely miss offensive stars Craig Johnston, Louis Jackson, and Robbie Martin. But the offense still returns fullback Dan Craig (215



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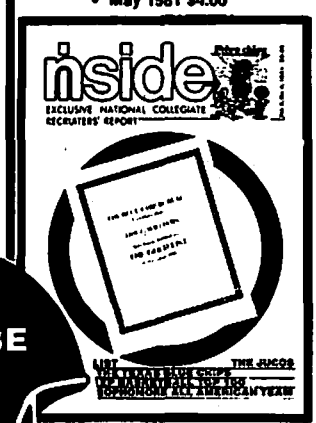
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yards), tight ends Rick Jones and Brooks Wise, and linemen Charles Daum (6-6½, 235) and Martin Ponek (6-1, 235). The only returning senior on defense is tackle Fred Razo, and the only returning starter is end Tom Gilmartin. Punter-place-kicker Tom Vessella may well get plenty of work. But the Mustangs outscored their two CCAA foes 71-6 last season, and should be able to hold them off again.

CAL ST. NORTHRIDGE

Tom Keele is "excited" over prospects of a Matador team that was 5-6 last season. There's point potential in quarterback Don Morrow (1,403 yards passing), who will be challenged by transfers Jeff Caprio (Colorado) and Steve Duddy (Valley College), and in back David Gonzales (450 yards rushing), and good men up front in Pat Hauser (6-3, 242), Tim Kimball (5-11, 208), and Steve Martin (6-1, 229). Linebackers Dan Charnitski (6-0, 195) and Bill Fournell (5-11, 198) and backs Bernard Hicks (5-7, 170) and Todd Sharp (6-2, 175) lead the defense.

CAL POLY POMONA

Forty recruits should make the Broncos much better in their second season under Roman Gabriel, but NCAA probation will take the edge off. The tenth-best NCAA division II passing offense again will be led by quarterback Fred Collins (214 yards a game), with help from wide receiver Duane Scott and linemen Mert Van Fredenberg (6-6, 275) and Steve Clark (6-2½, 255). The top defensive prospects are end Mike Porter (6-3, 235), linebacker Mike Goodwin (6-2, 215), and back Chuck Scicli (5-11, 190), but the overall key is how well all those new people come through.

SCIAC

CLAREMONT-MUDD

If John Zinda can improve the worst defense in the SCIAC, the Stags might well unseat Redlands. Coming off a 6-3 season, Zinda can call on four players from the conference's best offense—top league rusher Bill Reed (1,123 yards), leading passer Dan Marconi (1,759 yards), guard Dave Bercovici (6-0, 230), and tackle Toby Turner (6-1, 220). New tight end Mark Leavens (6-0, 210) will help. The defense will be looking first to tackle A.P. Roche (6-2, 220), and backs Jon Stott (5-11, 170) and Dave Sugaro (5-9, 165), but can't afford to give up 354 yards a game again.

Tailback Tony Haertl rushed for 986 yards last season for Redlands.



REDLANDS

The Bulldogs were 6-3 in 1980 and unbeaten in the SCIAC, and could be the class of the conference again. But Frank Serrao has major holes to fill both offensively and defensively, even with 31 lettermen back. The best of those on offense are tailback Tony Haertl (986 yards), and linemen Russ Winninghoff (6-4, 225), Allen Byron (6-0, 220), Craig Winninghoff (6-0, 200), Gary Downs, and Todd Beld. Defensive leaders will be ends Brad Austin (5-10 , 190) and Nate Upshaw (5-10, 211), linebacker Andy Anderson (6-1, 215), and backs Doug Dodson (eight interceptions) and Jeff Jones.

WHITTIER

An improved defense is the key for Hugh Mendez's Poets, 5-5 a year ago. Tackle Tim Hoomalu (6-2, 240), back-ace punter Louis Sanchez (5-8, 160), and noseguard Raul Armendariz all are excellent players, but help in the line and at linebacker will have to come from transfers. There is inexperience at quarterback but quality depth at tailback in Dwayne Jones (518 yards) and Antonio Anderson (313 yards) and at the receiver spots, headed by Chris Ware (30 catches for 581 yards), Bob Collins, and tight end Erle Collins. Mendez has 16 starters back overall.

OCCIDENTAL

Jerry Howell was hired late and did an excellent job (4-6 record) under the circumstances, and his Tigers could be the SCIAC's surprise team this season. Returning to lead the top NCAA division II passing attack are quarterback Joey Montijo (1,139 yards), receivers Dave Lonsinger, Don Maryon, and Mark Brittain, and the entire offensive line. Eight starters are back on defense, including two-time all-league safety Dan Ertel (6-0, 190) and tackle Eric Raff (5-11, 195). Howell's biggest project is finding a running back to replace veteran star Kevin Housman.

LA VERNE

Roland Ortmayer has defensive strength back among 40 lettermen from 2-8 team, including linebackers Paul Martinez (5-11, 200) and Dan Olivera (5-10, 185), back Fred Gomeztrejo (5-11, 175), middle guard Jerry Redman (5-11, 175), and end Scott Bolsta (5-11, 180), who had 27 sacks. But Ortmayer must develop an offense to support running backs Scott Miller (5-8, 175) and Paul Mraz (5-9, 190), both hurt early last year, and excellent junior tackle Scott Shier (6-4, 215). There's another plus in kicker Joaquin Zendejas (who's kicked two 55-yard field goals).

POMONA-PITZER

Injuries, particularly on offense, killed the Sagehens in 1980, and Mike Steinhour is hoping for more pleasant breaks this time. He has 38 lettermen and experience most everywhere, but most of the quality still seems to be on defense, in linemen Pat Folan (6-2, 225) and Matt Sullivan (6-2, 220) and backs Clovis Campbell (6-3, 195), Ed Kania (6-0, 180), and Karl Krausman (6-0, 180). Trying to boost the offense after a 1-8 season will be veterans like fullback Larry Bragg (6-2, 210), center Ray Medina (6-0, 220), and tight end Chris Kingsley (6-1, 195).

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1. Scott Woerner, Georgia	SR	31	488	1	15.7
2. Fulton Walker, West Virginia	SR	21	307	1	14.6
3. Lonell Phea, Houston	JR	17	232	0	13.6
4. Ray Horton, Washington	SO	18	238	1	13.2
5. John Simmons, SMU	SR	27	330	2	12.2
6. John Hall, West Texas St.	SR	14	160	2	11.4
7. Darnell Clash, Wyoming	FR	39	433	0	11.1
8. Dave Martin, Villanova	SR	13	144	1	11.1
9. Mardye McDole, Miss. St.	SR	23	251	1	10.9
10. Eugene Young, Oregon	FR	33	359	0	10.9
11. Gary Anderson, Arkansas	SO	23	244	0	10.6
12. Rich Diana, Yale	JR	14	145	0	10.4
13. Delbert Allen, Texas-El Paso	SO	24	247	1	10.3
14. Homer Jones, Brigham Young	SR	18	185	0	10.3
15. Pat Chester, Virginia	JR	19	192	1	10.1
16. Willie Gittens, Arizona St.	SO	31	312	0	10.1
17. Sharay Fields, New Mexico	SR	27	264	0	9.8
18. Gerald McNeil, Baylor	FR	41	395	0	9.6
19. Tim Wilbur, Indiana	JR	28	256	1	9.1

KICKOFF RETURNS

(MIN. 1.2 RETURNS PER GAME)	CL	NO	YDS	TD	AVG
1. Mike Fox, San Diego St.	SO	11	361	0	32.8
2. Anthony Carter, Michigan	SO	14	411	0	29.4
3. Tony Felder, Texas-Arlington	SR	15	424	1	28.3
4. Glen Young, Miss. St.	SO	19	525	1	27.6
5. Willie Gault, Tennessee	SO	24	662	3	27.6
6. Anthony Collins, East Carolina	SR	37	990	2	26.8
7. Carlen Charleston, No. Texas St.	FR	22	587	0	26.7
8. David Tetoumu, Hawaii	JR	15	391	0	26.1
9. Peter Lavery, Dartmouth	SO	15	382	1	25.5
10. Johnny Smith, Lamar	SR	17	431	0	25.4
11. Malvin Gipson, Mississippi	JR	12	304	0	25.3
12. Bob Reynolds, Fullerton St.	JR	34	856	1	25.2
13. Mike Washington, Wash. St.	SR	14	352	0	25.1
14. Don Treadwell, Miami (O.)	JR	24	599	1	25.0
15. Stevie Nelson, Ball St.	SO	18	449	1	24.9
16. Mark Rush, Miami (Fla.)	SO	16	397	1	24.8
17. Mike Pinckney, Northern Ill.	SR	16	396	1	24.7

INTERCEPTIONS

	CL	G	NO	YDS	TD
1. Dave Kimichik, Cornell	JR	9	7	19	0
2. Ronnie Lott, Southern Cal.	SR	11	8	166	1
3. Steve McNamee, Wm. & Mary	SR	11	8	125	0
4. Greg Benton, Drake	SR	11	8	119	0
5. Jeff Hipp, Georgia	SR	11	8	104	0
6. Mike Richardson, Arizona St.	SO	11	8	89	2
7. Vann McElroy, Baylor	JR	11	8	73	0
8. Rocky Delgadillo, Harvard	JR	10	7	130	1
9. Fred Marion, Miami (Fla.)	JR	11	7	85	0
10. Gil Byrd, San Jose St.	SO	11	7	69	0
11. John Simmons, SMU	SR	11	7	62	2
12. David Morris, North Texas St.	SR	11	7	56	0
13. Jim Dinardo, Wm. & Mary	SR	10	6	23	0

RECEIVING

	CL	G	NO	YDS	TD
1. Dave Young, Purdue	SR	11	67	917	8
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15. Ken Tweedy, Richmond	SR	11	53	736	3
16. John Mistler, Arizona St.	SR	11	53	673	11
17. Tony Goolsby, Colorado St.	SR	10	47	838	5
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19. Ken Thompson, Utah State	SR	11	51	802	8
20. Tom Rogers, Colgate	JR	10	46	720	4
21. Tony Carita, Ohio	SR	10	46	427	1
22. Kenny Duckett, Wake Forest	JR	11	50	656	12
23. Tim Odell, Rutgers	SR	11	49	719	4
24. Rick Beasley, Appalachian St.	SR	10	44	948	7

RUSHING

	CL	G	CAR	YDS	AVG	TD	YDS/PG
1. George Rogers, South Carolina	SR	11	297	1781	6.0	14	161.9
2. Marcus Allen, Southern Cal.	JR	10	354	1563	4.4	14	156.3
3. Stump Mitchell, Citadel	SR	11	291	1647	5.7	14	149.7
4. Herschel Walker, Georgia	FR	11	274	1616	5.9	15	146.9
5. Jarvis Redwine, Nebraska	SR	9	156	1119	7.2	9	124.3
6. Charlie Wysocki, Maryland	JR	11	334	1359	4.1	11	123.5
7. Freeman McNeil, UCLA	SR	9	203	1105	5.4	10	122.8
8. Cyrus Lawrence, Virginia Tech	SO	10	271	1221	4.5	8	122.1
9. James Brooks, Auburn	SR	11	261	1314	5.0	9	119.5
10. Dwayne Crutchfield, Iowa State	JR	11	284	1312	4.6	11	119.3
11. Floyd Allen, VMI	JR	11	291	1276	4.4	7	116.0
12. Barry Redden, Richmond	JR	10	247	1151	4.7	10	115.1
13. Kerwin Bell, Kansas	FR	10	228	1114	4.9	7	111.4
14. Gerald Willhite, San Jose St.	JR	11	245	1210	4.9	11	110.0
15. Calvin Murray, Ohio State	SR	11	185	1192	6.4	7	108.4
16. Walter Abercrombie, Baylor	JR	11	229	1187	5.2	9	107.9
17. Rich Diana, Yale	JR	10	229	1074	4.7	5	107.4
18. Theron McClendon, McNeese St.	JR	11	237	1175	5.0	9	106.8
19. Greg Jones, Miami (O.)	JR	9	201	952	4.7	8	105.8
20. Malcolm Jones, North Texas St.	SR	11	254	1144	4.5	7	104.0
21. Amos Lawrence, No. Carolina	SR	11	229	1118	4.9	11	101.6
22. Jim Betts, Cincinnati	SR	11	212	1106	5.2	2	100.5
23. Lonnie Johnson, Indiana	SR	11	200	1075	5.4	11	97.7
24. Alvin Lewis, Colorado St.	SR	11	211	1047	5.0	8	95.2

SCORING

	CL	G	TD	XP	FG	PTS	PT/PG
1. Sammy Winder, Southern Miss.	JR	11	20	0	0	120	10.9
2. J. C. Watts, Oklahoma	SR	11	16	0	0	103	9.8
3. Bill Capece, Florida St.	SR	11	0	38	22	104	9.5
4. Vlade Janakievski, Ohio St.	SR	10	0	45	15	90	9.0
5. Marcus Allen, Southern Cal.	JR	10	14	0	0	84	8.4
6. Herschel Walker, Georgia	FR	11	15	0	0	90	8.2
7. Amos Lawrence, No. Carolina	SR	11	15	0	0	90	8.2
8. Roger Craig, Nebraska	SO	11	15	0	0	90	8.2
9. Obed Ariri, Clemson	SR	11	0	18	23	87	7.9
10. Stump Mitchell, Citadel	SR	11	14	2	0	86	7.8
11. Gerald Willhite, San Jose St.	JR	11	14	2	0	86	7.8
12. Mike Jones, Tennessee St.	SO	10	13	0	0	78	7.8
13. Chuck Nelson, Washington	SO	11	0	31	18	85	7.7
14. Rex Robinson, Georgia	SR	11	0	38	16	84	7.6
15. George Rogers, So. Carolina	SR	11	14	0	0	84	7.6
16. Clay Brown, Brigham Young	SR	12	15	0	0	90	7.5
17. Rick Anderson, Purdue	JR	11	0	34	16	82	7.5
18. Mike Glenn, Furman	JR	9	11	0	0	66	7.3
19. Mickey Collins, Wichita St.	SR	9	11	0	0	66	7.3
20. Freeman McNeil, UCLA	SR	9	11	0	0	66	7.3
21. Steve Curtin, Brown	SR	10	12	0	0	72	7.2
22. Herb Menhardt, Penn State	SR	10	0	26	15	71	7.1
23. Anthony Carter, Michigan	SO	11	13	0	0	78	7.1
24. Eric Lane, Brigham Young	SR	12	14	0	0	84	7.0

PASSING

(MIN. 15 ATT. PER GAME)	CL	G	ATT	CMP	PCT	INT/PCT	YDS	YDS/ATT	TD	TD/PCT	RATING POINTS
1. Jim McMahon, Brigham Young	JR	12	445	284	63.82	18 4.04	4571	10.27	47	10.56	176.9
2. Joe Adams, Tennessee St.	SR	10	333	200	60.06	21 6.31	2848	8.55	30	9.01	149.0
3. John Elway, Stanford	SO	11	379	248	65.44	11 2.90	2889	7.62	27	7.12	147.2
4. Steve Woods, Tenn.-Chattanooga	JR	10	194	100	51.44	13 6.70	1827	9.42	17	8.76	146.2
5. Mark Herrmann, Purdue	SR	10	340	220	64.71	17 5.00	2923	8.60	19	5.59	145.4
6. Larry Gentry, Nev.-Las Vegas	SR	11	209	113	55.07	16 7.66	1691	8.09	22	10.53	141.5
7. Art Schlichter, Ohio St.	JR	11	191	102	53.40	8 4.19	1628	8.52	12	6.28	137.4
8. Ricky Hardin, Utah	SR	11	290	179	61.72	19 6.55	2459	8.48	15	5.17	135.9
9. Tom Flick, Washington	SR	11	260	168	60.00	11 3.93	2178	7.78	15	5.36	135.2
10. Rick Stockstill, Florida St.	JR	11	201	121	60.20	8 3.98	1377	6.85	15	7.46	134.4
11. Kevin Starkey, Long Beach St.	SR	11	248	138	55.65	16 6.45	1955	7.88	19	7.66	134.2
12. Mark Lockenmeyer, Princeton	SR	9	185	110	59.46	5 2.70	1284	6.94	12	6.49	133.8
13. John Wangler, Michigan	SR	11	192	105	54.69	9 4.69	1377	7.17	15	7.81	131.3
14. Oliver Luck, West Virginia	JR	12	254	135	53.15	12 4.72	1874	7.38	19	7.48	130.4
15. Ed Mahichael, Rutgers	SR	11	235	146	62.13	11 4.68	1761	7.49	10	4.26	129.8
16. Rick Costa, Duke	SR	11	275	147	53.45	13 4.73	2154	7.83	16	5.82	129.0
17. Samoa Samoa, Washington St.	SR	11	200	105	52.50	11 6.50	1666	8.34	9	4.50	126.4
18. Jim Kelly, Miami (Fla.)	SO	11	206	109	52.91	7 3.40	1519	7.37	11	5.34	125.7
19. Mark O'Connell, Ball State	SR	11	295	175	59.32	10 3.39	1921	6.51	13	4.41	121.8
20. Tim Clifford, Indiana	SR	11	198	105	53.03	12 6.06	1391	7.03	13	6.57	121.8
21. Dan Marino, Pittsburgh	SO	10	211	109	51.66	14 6.64	1531	7.26	14	6.64	121.2
22. Gordon Adams, Southern Cal.	SR	9	179	104	58.10	7 3.91	1237	6.91	7	3.91	121.2
23. Phil Bradley, Missouri	SR	10	242	132	54.55	8 3.31	1632	6.74	12	4.96	120.9
24. Bob Gagliano, Utah St.	SR	11	348	184	53.18	15 4.34	2361	6.82	20	5.78	120.9

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SIX POINTS 1980 TEAM ROSTER

Big Eight	Big Ten	Pacific Ten	Independents
Colorado	Illinois	Arizona	Army
Iowa State	Indiana	Arizona State	Boston College
Kansas	Iowa	California	Central Mich. (MAC)
Kansas State	Michigan	Oregon	Cincinnati
Missouri	Michigan State	Oregon State	Drake (MVC)
Nebraska	Minnesota	Southern Cal.	East Carolina
Oklahoma	Northwestern	Stanford	Florida State
Oklahoma State	Ohio State	UCLA	Furman (SAC)
	Purdue	Washington	Holy Cross
Southwest	Wisconsin	Washington State	Louisville
Arkansas			Memphis State
Baylor	Southeastern	Atlantic Coast	Miami, Fla.
Houston	Alabama	Clemson	Navy
Rice	Auburn	Duke	Nevada-Las Vegas
Southern Methodist	Florida	Georgia Tech	Notre Dame
Texas	Georgia	Maryland	Penn State
Texas A&M	Kentucky	North Carolina	Pittsburgh
Texas Christian	LSU	North Carolina State	Richmond
Texas Tech	Mississippi	Virginia	Rutgers
	Mississippi State	Wake Forest	South Carolina
Western Athletic	Tennessee		Southern Mississippi
Air Force	Vanderbilt	Ivy League	Syracuse
Brigham Young		Brown	Temple
Colorado State	PCAA	Columbia	Tulane
Hawaii	Fresno State	Cornell	Tulsa (MVC)
New Mexico	Fullerton State	Dartmouth	Villanova
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FINAL DIVISION 1-A TEAM LEADERS

RUSHING OFFENSE

	G	CAR	YDS	AVG	TD	YDS/PG
1. Nebraska	11	739	4161	5.6	45	378.3
2. Oklahoma	11	691	3961	5.7	48	360.1
3. Alabama	11	633	3381	5.3	35	307.4
4. South Carolina	11	620	3291	5.3	35	299.2
5. McNeese St.	11	671	3275	4.9	27	297.7
6. Baylor	11	687	3266	4.8	29	296.9
7. Miss. St.	11	651	3135	4.8	28	285.0
8. Citadel	11	641	3066	4.8	32	278.7
9. Furman	11	595	3021	5.1	24	274.6
10. No. Carolina	11	633	2977	4.7	26	270.6
11. Wyoming	11	647	2902	4.5	30	263.8
12. Ohio State	11	592	2873	4.9	33	261.2
13. Auburn	11	610	2732	4.5	16	248.4

RUSHING DEFENSE

	G	CAR	YDS	AVG	TD	YDS/PG
1. Pittsburgh	11	449	718	1.6	3	65.3
2. Yale	10	428	833	1.9	6	83.3
3. Nebraska	11	454	950	2.1	7	86.4
4. Florida St.	11	408	984	2.4	2	89.5
5. Southern Cal.	11	413	1064	2.6	6	96.7
6. Virginia Tech	11	473	1126	2.4	4	102.4
7. Baylor	11	460	1160	2.5	7	105.5
8. Notre Dame	11	434	1208	2.8	7	109.8
9. Ohio U.	11	481	1269	2.6	11	115.4
10. Navy	11	471	1284	2.7	9	116.7
11. Wisconsin	11	425	1293	3.0	16	117.5
12. Maryland	11	464	1307	2.8	5	118.8
13. Michigan	11	420	1307	3.1	10	118.8

PUNT RETURNS

	G	NO	YDS	TD	AVG
1. Georgia	11	33	544	2	16.5
2. Washington	11	32	462	3	14.4
3. Rutgers	11	32	459	2	14.3
4. West Virginia	12	25	345	1	13.8
5. SMU	11	32	392	3	12.2
6. Arizona St.	11	36	411	3	11.4
7. Houston	11	31	332	0	10.7
8. West Texas St.	11	18	188	2	10.4
9. Wyoming	11	44	450	0	10.2
10. Louisville	11	22	223	0	10.1
11. Auburn	11	16	162	0	10.1
12. Arkansas	11	25	250	1	10.0
13. Miss. St.	11	37	362	1	9.8
14. Virginia	11	23	225	1	9.8

KICKOFF RETURNS

	G	NO	YDS	TD	AVG
1. Oklahoma	11	17	565	3	33.2
2. Penn State	11	22	586	2	26.6
3. UCLA	11	22	563	1	25.6
4. East Carolina	11	43	1088	2	25.3
5. Tennessee	11	29	729	3	25.1
6. Iowa	11	31	764	0	24.6
7. Nebraska	11	14	344	0	24.6
8. Michigan	11	19	464	0	24.4
9. Miami, O.	11	31	756	1	24.4
10. Ohio St.	11	17	414	0	24.4
11. Miss. St.	11	28	664	1	23.7
12. East Tennessee	11	41	966	2	23.6
13. Utah St.	11	31	728	1	23.5
14. Ball St.	11	27	630	1	23.3

SCORING OFFENSE

	G	PTS	AVG
1. Brigham Young	12	560	46.7
2. Nebraska	11	439	39.9
3. Nev.-Las Vegas	11	384	34.9
4. Oklahoma	11	378	34.4
5. Ohio State	11	368	33.5
6. Florida St.	11	352	32.0
7. Tennessee St.	10	312	31.2
8. Pittsburgh	11	343	31.2
9. South Carolina	11	339	30.8
10. Washington	11	327	29.7
11. Alabama	11	322	29.3
12. Georgia	11	318	28.7
13. Wyoming	11	316	28.7

SCORING DEFENSE

	G	PTS	AVG
1. Florida St.	11	85	7.7
2. Nebraska	11	93	8.5
3. Alabama	11	96	8.7
4. Virginia Tech	11	109	9.9
5. Navy	11	111	10.1
6. Notre Dame	11	111	10.1
7. Pittsburgh	11	121	11.0
8. No. Carolina	11	123	11.2
9. Michigan	11	123	11.2
10. Georgia	11	127	11.5
11. Central Mich.	11	127	11.5
12. Baylor	11	129	11.7
13. Maryland	11	130	11.8

TOTAL OFFENSE

	G	PLAYS	YDS	AVG	TD*	YDS/PG
1. Brigham Young	12	847	6420	7.6	74	535.0
2. Nebraska	11	913	5576	6.1	59	506.9
3. Oklahoma	11	775	4954	6.4	50	450.4
4. Nev.-Las Vegas	11	825	4908	5.9	50	446.2
5. Purdue	11	845	4856	5.7	35	441.5
6. Baylor	11	801	4848	5.4	41	440.7
7. Stanford	11	846	4759	5.6	41	432.6
8. Ohio State	11	812	4703	5.8	45	427.5
9. Utah	11	827	4617	5.6	33	419.7
10. Drake	11	852	4603	5.4	38	418.5
11. South Carolina	11	801	4567	5.7	42	415.2
12. Tennessee St.	10	636	4142	6.5	43	414.2
13. Tenn.-Chattanooga	11	741	4554	6.1	40	414.0

TOTAL DEFENSE

	G	PLAYS	YDS	AVG	TD*	YDS/PG
1. Pittsburgh	11	753	2260	3.0	13	205.5
2. Florida St.	11	649	2290	3.5	8	208.2
3. Nebraska	11	713	2300	3.2	10	209.1
4. Notre Dame	11	668	2345	3.5	13	213.2
5. Virginia Tech	11	703	2401	3.4	11	218.3
6. Navy	11	696	2456	3.5	13	223.3
7. Alabama	11	730	2487	3.4	11	226.1
8. Southern Cal.	11	651	2577	4.0	15	234.3
9. Yale	10	670	2427	3.6	14	242.7
10. Southern Miss.	11	656	2801	4.3	20	254.6
11. No. Carolina	11	735	2821	3.8	13	256.5
12. Maryland	11	735	2835	3.9	14	257.7
13. Miami, Fla.	11	753	2868	3.8	15	260.7

PASSING OFFENSE

	G	ATT	CMP	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	YDS/PG
1. Brigham Young	12	498	317	21	63.7	4918	49	409.8
2. Illinois	11	471	250	15	53.1	3227	20	293.4
3. Purdue	11	375	243	17	64.8	3216	20	292.4
4. Tennessee St.	10	346	203	24	58.7	2896	30	289.6
5. Pittsburgh	11	378	196	28	51.9	2952	25	268.4
6. Stanford	11	383	251	12	65.5	2921	27	265.5
7. California	11	381	249	17	65.4	2862	8	260.2
8. NE Louisiana	11	408	213	25	52.2	2828	18	257.1
9. Appalachian St.	11	375	190	16	50.7	2781	15	252.8
10. San Jose St.	11	368	186	26	50.5	2712	18	246.5
11. Colorado St.	11	413	210	18	50.8	2692	15	244.7
12. Pacific	12	445	243	19	54.6	2893	16	241.1
13. Wake Forest	11	420	216	16	51.4	2634	21	239.5

PASS DEFENSE

	G	ATT	CMP	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	YDS/PG
1. Kansas St.	11	152	75	10	49.3	1005	8	91.4
2. Iowa State	11	242	86	11	35.5	1008	9	91.5
3. Southern Miss.	11	198	94	11	48.0	1043	2	94.8
4. Western Mich.	11	219	92	13	42.0	1053	5	95.6
5. Alabama	11	210	93	14	44.3	1093	7	99.4
6. Notre Dame	11	234	108	9	46.2	1137	6	103.4
7. LSU	11	226	91	15	40.3	1142	7	103.8
8. Navy	11	225	109	17	48.4	1172	4	106.5
9. Toledo	11	211	98	17	45.5	1189	5	108.1
10. Northern Ill.	11	199	106	13	53.3	1189	4	108.1
11. Kent State	11	195	88	12	45.1	1214	9	110.4
12. Western Caro.	11	182	91	6	50.0	1234	5	112
13. Ball State	11	241	108	13	44.8	1242	9	112

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1980 SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

PLAYER

	PLAYER, TEAM (OPPONENT, DATE)	TOTAL
RUSHING AND PASSING		
Rushing and Passing Plays	Dave Wilson, Illinois (Ohio State, N. 8)	76**
Rushing and Passing Yards	Dave Wilson, Illinois (Ohio State, N. 8)	585
Rushing Plays	Charlie Wysocki, Maryland (Duke, O. 25)	50
Net Rushing Yards	Herschel Walker, Georgia (Vanderbilt, O. 18)	283
Passes Attempted	Dave Wilson, Illinois (Ohio State, N. 8)	69**
Passes Completed	Dave Wilson, Illinois (Ohio State, N. 8)	43*
	Rich Campbell, California (Florida, S. 13)	43*
Passing Yards	Dave Wilson, Illinois (Ohio State, N. 8)	621*
RECEIVING AND KICK RETURNS		
Passes Caught	Bart Burrell, Purdue (Wisconsin, S. 13)	13
Receiving Yards	Wayne Baumgardner, Wake Forest (So. Carolina, N. 15)	271
Punt Return Yards	Fulton Walker, West Virginia (Richmond, S. 27)	132
Kickoff Return Yards	Jesse Williams, Richmond (West Virginia, S. 27)	215
SCORING		
Points Scored	Theron McClendon, McNeese St. (NE Louisiana, O. 11)	30
Field Goals Made	Rick Anderson, Purdue (Michigan St., O. 25)	5
	Brian Clark, Florida (Mississippi, O. 18)	5
	Bill Capece, Florida St. (Pittsburgh, O. 11)	5

TEAM

	TEAM (OPPONENT, DATE)	TOTAL
Rushing Plays	Arkansas (TCU, Oct. 4)	85
Net Rushing Yards	Oklahoma (Colorado, Oct. 4)	758*
Rushing and Passing Yards	Oklahoma (Colorado, Oct. 4)	875*
Passing Yards	Illinois (Ohio State, Nov. 8)	621
Fewest Rush-Pass Yds Allowed	Miami, Fla. (Florida, A&M, Sept. 13)	14
Fewest Rushing Yards Allowed	Utah State (Pacific, Nov. 1)	Minus 51
Passes Attempted	Illinois (Ohio State, Nov. 8)	69
Passes Completed	Illinois (Ohio State, Nov. 8)	43*
	California (Florida, Sept. 13)	43*
Points Scored	Brigham Young (Texas-El Paso, Nov. 1)	83

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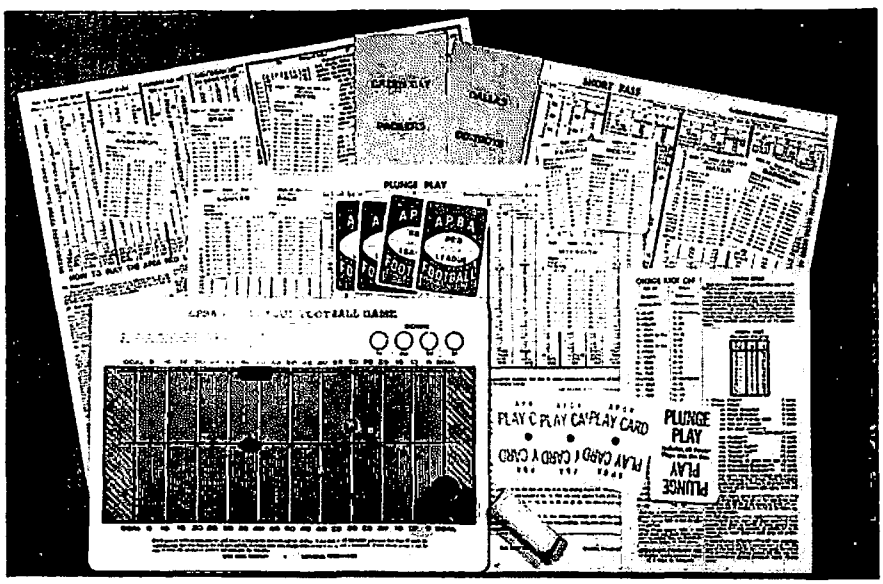
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PUNT RETURNS

(Min. 1.2 Returns Per Game)	CL	NO	YDS	TD	AVG
1. Trumaine Johnson, Grambling	SO	13	226	0	17.4
2. Sylvester Stamps, Jackson St.	FR	28	334	0	11.9
3. Rick Woods, Boise St.	JR	45	522	0	11.6
4. Peter Ouellette, Maine	JR	24	270	1	11.2

KICKOFF RETURNS

(Min. 1.2 Returns Per Game)	CL	NO	YDS	TD	AVG
1. Danny Thomas, No. Caro. A&T	FR	15	381	0	25.4
2. Al Cognigni, Lafayette	JR	13	326	0	25.1
3. Rance McDougald, Portland St.	FR	14	343	1	24.5
4. Pete Mandley, Northern Ariz.	SO	21	510	0	24.3
5. Jerry Parrish, Eastern Ky.	SO	17	401	0	23.6
6. Carl Williams, Texas Southern	JR	29	675	1	23.3

PUNTING

(Min. 3.6 Punts Per Game)	CL	NO	AVG
1. Case De Bruijn, Idaho St.	JR	67	44.0
2. Ray Farmer, Western Ky.	SR	62	42.4
3. Tom Spadafore, Boise St.	SR	51	41.9
4. Chris Brockman, Idaho	SR	62	41.2
5. Vincent Coleman, Florida A&M	JR	48	41.2
6. Lee Williams, Alcorn St.	JR	58	40.8
7. Alonzo Braddy, S.C. State	FR	52	40.5
8. Andy Graham, Akron	SR	72	40.3

INTERCEPTIONS

	CL	G	NO	YDS	TD
1. Emerson Walls, Grambling	SR	11	11	145	0
2. Greg Harding, Nicholls St.	JR	11	9	51	0
3. Darrell Wilson, Connecticut	SR	10	8	91	0
4. Larry Harmon, Miss. Valley	SR	9	7	100	0
5. Robert Salter, Grambling	SR	11	8	126	1
6. Charlie Marck, Lehigh	SR	11	7	67	1
7. Chris Jackson, Howard	FR	10	6	90	0

RECEIVING

	CL	G	CT	YDS	TD
1. Kenny Johnson, Portland St.	SO	11	72	1011	11
2. Clint Didier, Portland St.	SR	11	67	1091	12
3. Reggie Eatleston, Connecticut	SR	10	50	1081	9
4. Tracy Singleton, Howard	SO	10	49	1013	5
5. Mark Yeager, Lehigh	SR	11	50	893	12
6. Steve Puthoff, Austin Peay	SR	11	43	912	3
7. Bill Lafreniere, Northeastern	JR	11	42	883	8
8. Marvin Dumas, Nicholls St.	JR	10	38	833	2
9. Trumaine Johnson, Grambling	SO	11	41	910	13
10. Rod Childs, Idaho St.	JR	11	41	640	3
11. Randy Liles, NW Louisiana	SR	10	37	657	4
12. Three Players Tied for Twelfth					

RUSHING

	CL	G	CAR	YDS	AVG	TD	YDS/PG
1. Frank Hawkins, Nev-Reno	SR	11	307	1719	5.6	9	156.3
2. Lorenzo Bouier, Maine	SO	11	349	1622	4.6	9	147.5
3. Ray Sindlar, Davidson	JR	10	254	1339	5.3	11	133.9
4. Ken Jenkins, Bucknell	JR	10	213	1270	6.0	10	127.0
5. Joe Delaney, NW LA	SR	10	221	1110	5.0	10	111.0
6. Gregory Jones, Alcorn St.	SO	10	218	1054	4.8	5	105.4
7. Gregg Drew, Boston U.	SO	11	238	1159	4.9	8	105.4
8. Gary Pearson, Mass.	SO	10	239	1033	4.3	15	103.3

SCORING

	CL	G	TD	XP	FG	PTS	PT/PG
1. Ken Jenkins, Bucknell	JR	10	16	0	0	96	9.6
2. Gary Pearson, Mass.	SO	10	15	2	0	92	9.2
3. Kenny Odom, S.C. St.	SO	10	15	0	0	90	9.0
4. Trumaine Johnson, Grambling	SO	11	16	0	0	96	8.7
5. John Khubeise, Portland St.	JR	11	0	70	5	85	7.7
6. Joe Delaney, NW Louisiana	SR	10	12	2	0	74	7.4
7. Troy Snardon, Western Ky.	JR	10	12	0	0	72	7.2
8. Jim Quinn, New Hampshire	SO	9	10	0	0	60	6.7

PASSING

(Min. 15 Att. Per Game)	CL	G	ATT	CMP	PCT	INT	INT/ PCT	YDS	YDS/ ATT	TD	TD/PCT	RATING POINTS
1. Mike Williams, Grambling	SR	11	239	127	53.14	5	2.09	2116	8.85	28	11.72	162.0
2. Neil Lomax, Portland St.	SR	11	473	298	62.58	12	2.54	4094	8.66	37	7.82	156.0
3. Ronald Wilson, Howard	SR	10	182	97	53.30	9	4.95	1784	9.80	12	6.59	147.5
4. Joe Aliotti, Boise St.	SR	11	218	134	61.47	8	3.67	1590	7.29	13	5.96	135.1
5. Bobby Hebert, NW Louisiana	SO	11	223	120	53.81	9	4.04	1828	8.20	12	5.38	132.4
6. Ken Sweitzer, Connecticut	JR	10	252	127	50.40	11	4.37	2010	7.98	16	6.35	129.6
7. Scott Lindquist, Northern Ariz.	SO	11	197	109	55.33	5	2.54	1466	7.44	9	4.57	127.8
8. Larry Michalski, Lehigh	JR	11	246	128	52.03	17	6.91	1856	7.54	19	7.72	127.1

ALL-PURPOSE RUNNERS

	CL	G	RUSH	REC	PR	KOR	YDS	YDS/PG
1. Ken Jenkins, Bucknell	JR	10	1270	293	65	256	1884	188.4
2. Dorron Hunter, Morehead St.	SR	11	1001	117	82	568	1768	160.7
3. Frank Hawkins, Nevada-Reno	SR	11	1719	49	0	0	1768	160.7
4. Lorenzo Bouier, Maine	SO	11	1622	17	0	0	1639	149.0
5. Trumaine Johnson, Grambling	SO	11	325	910	226	155	1616	146.9
6. Bill Lafreniere, Northeastern	JR	11	7	883	115	596	1601	145.5
7. Joe Delaney, NW Louisiana	SR	10	1110	323	0	0	1433	143.3

TOTAL OFFENSE

	CL	G	PLAYS	YDS	YD/PL	TDR*	YD/PG
1. Neil Lomax, Portland St.	SR	11	550	4157	7.6	42	377.9
2. Ken Sweitzer, Connecticut	JR	10	389	2428	6.2	20	242.8
3. Mike Machurek, Idaho St.	JR	11	442	2329	5.3	19	211.7
4. Sonny Defilippis, Austin Peay	SR	11	432	2199	5.1	22	199.9
5. Ronald Wilson, Howard	SR	10	279	1950	7.0	19	195.0
6. Bobby Hebert, NW Louisiana	SO	11	313	2099	6.7	14	190.8

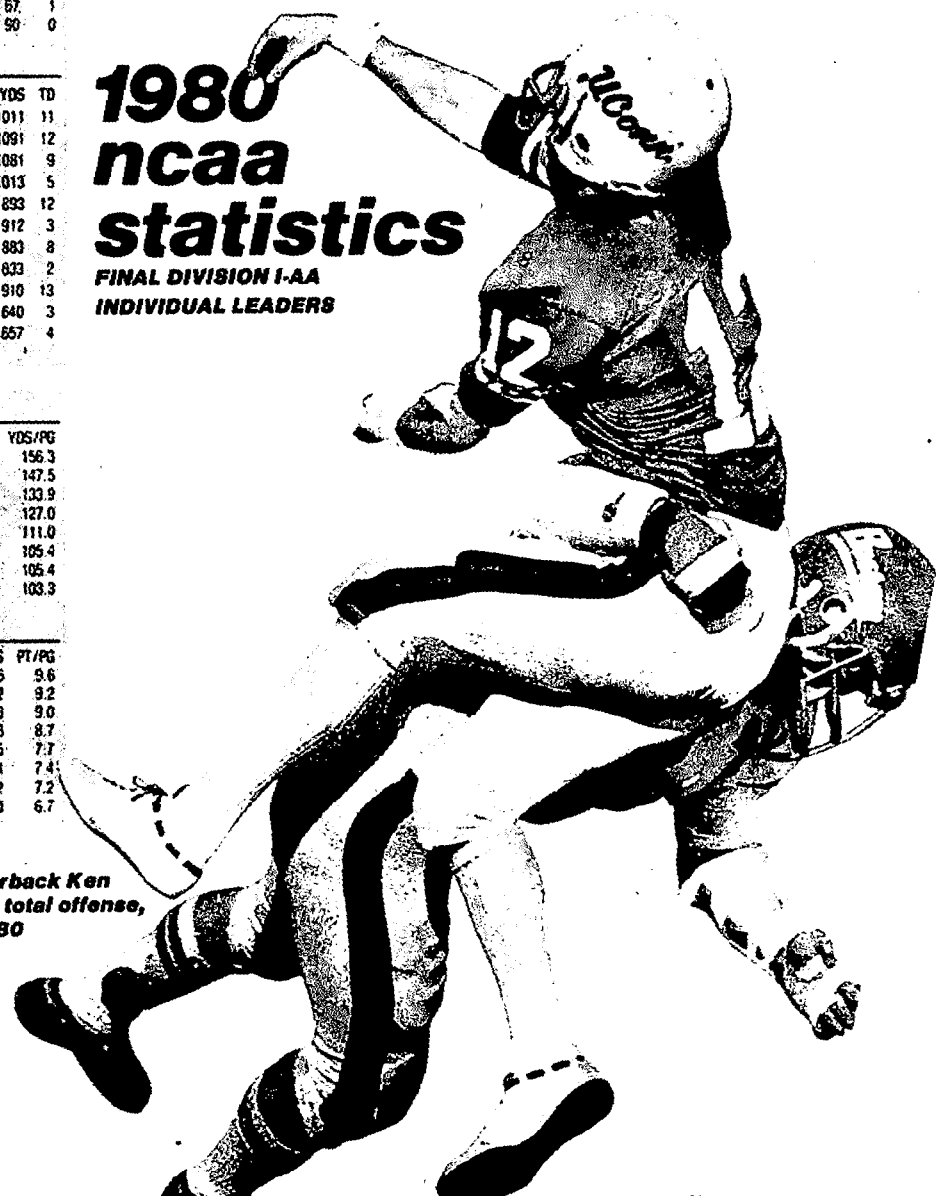
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FINAL DIVISION I-AA

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS



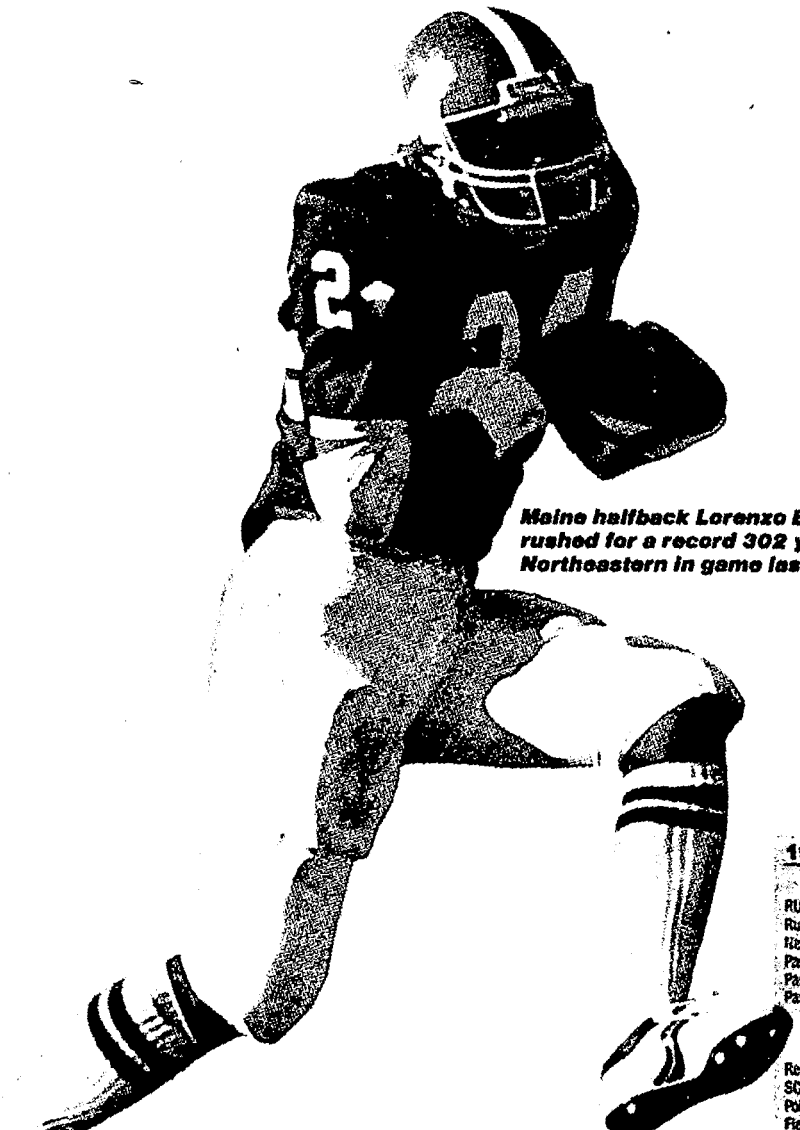
Connecticut quarterback Ken Sweitzer was #2 in total offense, #6 in passing in 1980 in division I-AA.

PASSING OFFENSE

	G	ATT	CMP	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	YDS/PG
1. Portland St.	11	550	352	18	60.7	4784	44	434.9
2. Idaho St.	11	461	232	19	50.3	2872	19	261.1
3. Grambling	11	317	165	10	52.1	2720	37	247.3
4. NW Louisiana	11	319	162	15	50.8	2621	19	238.3
5. Connecticut	10	267	132	12	49.4	2058	17	205.8
6. Howard	10	205	110	13	53.7	1990	13	199.0
7. Weber St.	11	368	175	22	47.6	2122	9	192.9

PASS DEFENSE

	G	ATT	CMP	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	YDS/PG
1. Howard	10	146	61	13	41.8	938	5	93.8
2. Austin Peay	11	203	79	18	38.9	1080	6	98.2
3. Miss. Valley	10	238	82	19	34.5	1017	9	101.7
4. Murray St.	11	250	104	11	41.6	1154	8	104.9
5. Massachusetts	10	244	97	19	39.8	1101	5	110.1
6. Bethune-Cook.	10	156	76	10	48.7	1129	7	112.9



Maine halfback Lorenzo Bouler rushed for a record 302 yards vs. Northeastern in game last year.

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FINAL DIVISION I-AA TEAM LEADERS

TOTAL OFFENSE

	G	PLAYS	YDS	AVG	TD*	YDS/PG
1. Portland St.	11	865	5547	6.4	69	504.3
2. Grambling	11	746	4809	6.4	54	437.2
3. NW Louisiana	11	796	4631	5.8	35	421.0
4. S.C. State	11	789	4285	5.4	44	389.5
5. Connecticut	10	772	3885	5.0	32	388.5
6. Boise St.	11	765	4210	5.5	36	382.7
7. Lehigh	11	881	4210	4.8	41	382.7

RUSHING OFFENSE

	G	CAR	YDS	AVG	TD	YDS/PG
1. No. Caro. A&T	11	684	3543	5.3	29	322.1
2. Idaho	11	602	2863	4.8	21	260.3
3. S.C. State	11	632	2831	4.5	30	257.4
4. Nevada-Reno	11	585	2764	4.7	15	251.3
5. SE Louisiana	10	543	2437	4.5	27	243.7
6. Western Ky.	10	531	2339	4.4	18	233.9
7. Boise St.	11	517	2509	4.9	22	228.1

TOTAL DEFENSE

	G	PLAYS	YDS	AVG	TD*	YDS/PG
1. Massachusetts	10	597	1935	3.2	11	193.5
2. Murray St.	11	714	2237	3.1	10	203.4
3. Jackson St.	11	646	2242	3.5	16	203.8
4. Alcorn St.	10	604	2088	3.5	22	209.8
5. S.C. State	11	669	2337	3.5	17	212.5
6. Nevada-Reno	11	692	2447	3.5	12	222.5
7. Southern U.	11	721	2494	3.5	22	226.7

RUSHING DEFENSE

	G	CAR	YDS	AVG	TD	YDS/PG
1. S.C. State	11	384	680	1.8	4	61.8
2. Nevada-Reno	11	402	835	2.1	5	75.9
3. Jackson St.	11	422	887	2.1	9	78.8
4. Massachusetts	10	353	834	2.4	6	83.4
5. Alcorn St.	10	361	835	2.3	11	83.5
6. SE Louisiana	10	381	881	2.3	9	88.1
7. Murray St.	11	464	1083	2.3	4	98.5

SCORING DEFENSE

	G	PTS	AVG
1. Murray St.	11	100	9.1
2. Nevada-Reno	11	113	10.3
3. Massachusetts	10	105	10.5
4. Jackson St.	11	119	10.8
5. Eastern Ky.	11	122	11.1
6. S.C. State	11	126	11.4

SCORING OFFENSE

	G	PTS	AVG
1. Portland St.	11	541	49.2
2. Grambling	11	406	36.9
3. Lehigh	11	330	30.0
4. S.C. St.	11	330	30.0
5. SE Louisiana	10	289	28.9
6. Howard	10	288	28.8
7. No. Caro. A&T	11	305	27.7

*Touchdowns scored by Rushing-Passing Only

1980 SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

PLAYER

	PLAYER, TEAM (OPPONENT, DATE)	TOTAL
RUSHING AND PASSING		
Rushing and Passing Yards	Neil Lomax, Portland St. (Weber St., N. 22)	478
Net Rushing Yards	Lorenzo Bouler, Maine (Northeastern, N. 1)	302*
Passing Yards	Neil Lomax, Portland St. (Montana, S. 20)	483
Passes Attempted	Mike Machurek, Idaho St. (Weber St., S. 20)	63
Passes Completed	Neil Lomax, Portland St. (Idaho St., S. 27)	38
Touchdown Passes	Neil Lomax, Portland St. (Delaware St., N. 8)	8*
RECEIVING		
Passes Caught	Phil Swan, Weber St. (Utah State, N. 8)	15
Receiving Yards	Charlie Brown, S.C. State (Morris Brown, N. 1)	230
SCORING		
Points Scored	Henry Odom, S.C. State (Morgan St., O. 18)	36*
Field Goals Made	Wilfredo Rosales, Alcorn St. (Grambling, S. 20)	5*

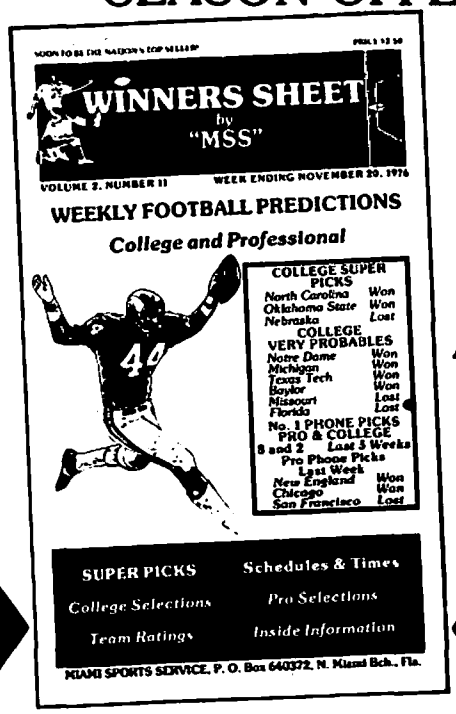
TEAM

	TEAM (OPPONENT, DATE)	TOTAL
Net Rushing Yards	No. Carolina A&T (Winston-Salem, Sept. 13)	505
Rushing and Passing Yards	Portland St. (Cal Poly Pomona, Oct. 25)	657
Passing Yards	Portland St. (Cal Poly Pomona, Oct. 25)	603*
Touchdown Passes	Portland St. (Delaware St., Nov. 8)	10*
Fewest Rushing Yards Allowed	Nevada-Reno (Northridge St., Oct. 18)	Minus 37
Fewest Rush-Pass Yds Allowed	Murray St. (Tennessee Tech, Sept. 27)	21
Points Scored	Portland St. (Delaware St., Nov. 8)	105*

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FINAL 1980-81 COLLEGE FOOTBALL RANKINGS

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rank	record	points
1. Georgia (58½)	12-0-0	1,251½
2. Pittsburgh (3½)	11-1-0	1,187½
3. Oklahoma	10-2-0	1,100
4. Michigan	10-2-0	1,033
5. Florida State (1)	10-2-0	970
6. Alabama	10-2-0	928
7. Nebraska	10-2-0	879
8. Penn State	10-2-0	797
9. Notre Dame	9-2-1	699
10. North Carolina	11-1-0	665
11. Southern California	8-2-1	610
12. Brigham Young	12-1-0	584
13. UCLA	9-2-0	502
14. Baylor	10-2-0	494
15. Ohio State	9-3-0	389
16. Washington	9-3-0	253
17. Purdue	9-3-0	198½
18. Miami	9-3-0	192
19. Mississippi State	9-3-0	159
20. Southern Methodist	8-4-0	98½

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1. Georgia (36)	12-0-0	595
2. Pittsburgh (3)	11-1-0	543
3. Oklahoma	10-2-0	495
4. Michigan (1)	10-2-0	430
5. Florida State	10-2-0	423
6. Alabama	10-2-0	419
7. Nebraska	10-2-0	354
8. Penn State	10-2-0	328
9. North Carolina	11-1-0	232
10. Notre Dame	9-2-1	211
11. Brigham Young	12-1-0	167
12. Southern California	8-2-1	136
13. Baylor	10-2-0	116
14. UCLA	9-2-0	114
15. Ohio State	9-3-0	70
16. Purdue	9-3-0	62
17. Washington	9-3-0	50
18. Miami	9-3-0	14
19. Florida	8-4-0	13
20. Southern Methodist	8-4-0	8

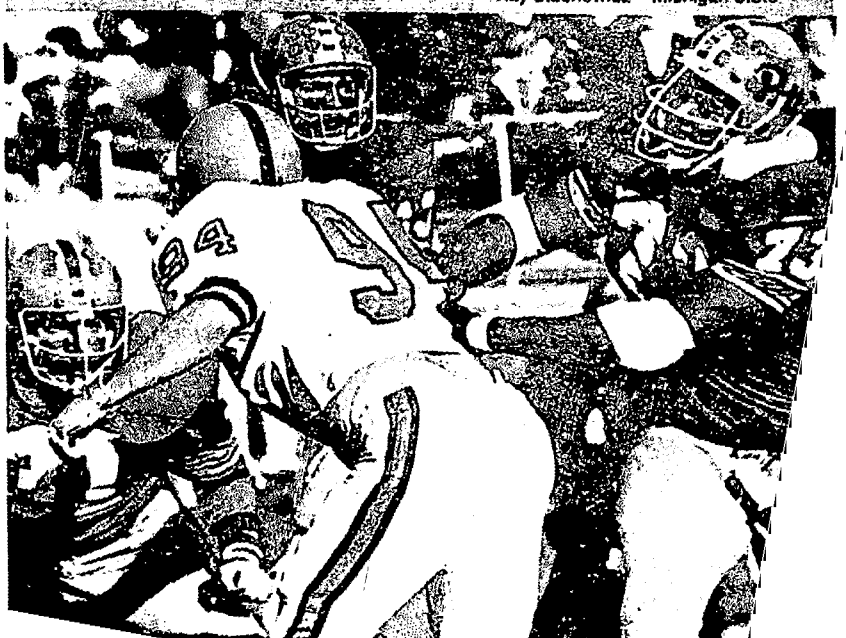
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OFFENSE	FIRST TEAM	SECOND TEAM
Quarterback	Mark Herrmann—Purdue	Jim McMahon—Brigham Young
Running Back	George Rogers—South Carolina	James Brooks—Auburn
Running Back	Herschel Walker—Georgia	Freeman McNeil—UCLA
Wide Receiver	Anthony Carter—Michigan	Cris Collinsworth—Florida
Wide Receiver	Ken Margerum—Stanford	David Verser—Kansas
Tight End	Dave Young—Purdue	Benjie Pryor—Pittsburgh
Tackle	Mark May—Pittsburgh	Ken Lanier—Florida State
Tackle	Keith Van Horne—USC	Louis Oubre—Oklahoma
Guard	Frank Ditta—Baylor	Sean Farrell—Penn State
Guard	Randy Schleusener—Nebraska	Joe Lukens—Ohio State
Center	John Scully—Notre Dame	Rick Donnalley—North Carolina
DEFENSE	**FIRST TEAM**	**SECOND TEAM**
End	Hugh Green—Pittsburgh	Don Blackmon—Tulsa
End	Scott Zettek—Notre Dame	Derrie Nelson—Nebraska
Tackle	Leonard Mitchell—Houston	Vince Goldsmith—Oregon
Tackle	Kenneth Sims—Texas	Mike Trgovac—Michigan
Linebacker	E.J. Junior—Alabama	Andy Cannavino—Michigan
Linebacker	David Little—Florida	Bob Crable—Notre Dame
Linebacker	Mike Singletary—Baylor	Reggie Herring—Florida State
Linebacker	Lawrence Taylor—North Carolina	Ricky Young—Oklahoma State
Back	Kenny Easley—UCLA	Tim Wilbur—Indiana
Back	Ronnie Lott—USC	Tommy Wilcox—Alabama
Back	John Simmons—Southern Methodist	Scott Woerner—Georgia

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Wide Receiver	Ken Margerum—Stanford	Cris Collinsworth—Florida
Tight End	Dave Young—Purdue	Clay Brown—Brigham Young
Tackle	Keith Van Horne—USC	Louis Oubre—Oklahoma
Tackle	Mark May—Pittsburgh	Howard Richards—Missouri
Guard	Randy Schleusener—Nebraska	Nick Eyre—Brigham Young
Guard	Roy Foster—USC	Ron Wooten—North Carolina
Center	John Scully—Notre Dame	George Lilja—Michigan
Place-kicker	Rex Robinson—Georgia	Bill Capece—Florida State
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End	E.J. Junior—Alabama	Ricky Jackson—Pittsburgh
Tackle	Kenneth Sims—Texas	John Harty—Iowa
Tackle	Leonard Mitchell—Houston	Vince Goldsmith—Oregon
Middle Guard	Ron Simmons—Florida State	Stan Gardner—Kansas
Linebacker	Mike Singletary—Baylor	David Little—Florida
Linebacker	Bob Crable—Notre Dame	Thomas Boyd—Alabama
Linebacker	Lawrence Taylor—North Carolina	Marcus Marek—Ohio State
Back	Scott Woerner—Georgia	John Simmons—Southern Methodist
Back	Ronnie Lott—USC	Todd Bell—Ohio State
Back	Kenny Easley—UCLA	Jeff Hipp—Georgia
Punter	Ron Stark—Florida State	Ray Stachowicz—Michigan State



Pittsburgh offensive tackle Mark May (#73) was a first-team All-America and the winner of the 1980 Outland Trophy.

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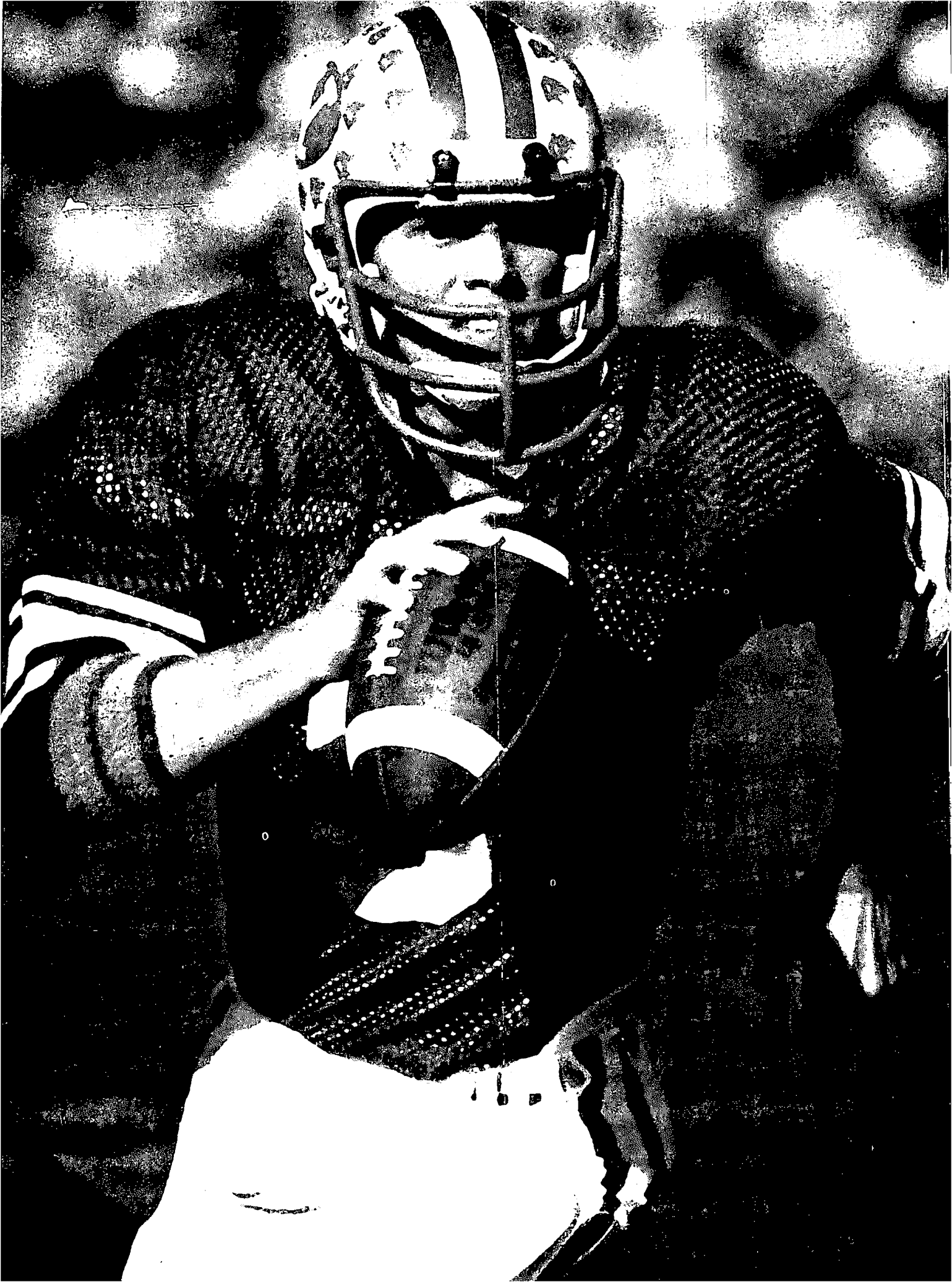
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Whoa, now, that's pretty heavy company for a 50-year-old football coach. But then, it is Edwards who in his nine years at the "Y" has revived interest in football to borderline religious fervor—reverence most Utahns normally reserve for basketball, which they presume Brigham himself invented (with an assist from James Naismith).

And just think. These ads were on the air before Edwards's Cougars had even won a bowl game. So they'd better start setting type for the sequel, because the Cougars took care of that item of no bowl victory in the most dramatic fashion possible last December.

Trailing Southern Methodist by 20 points with less than four minutes to play, BYU scored three touchdowns in the final 2:33—the tying one on a 41-yard Jim McMahon-to-Clay Brown pass as time ran out. Kurt Gunther's PAT kick was true, and the Cougars had a 46-45 Holiday Bowl win after four previous postseason failures.





Brigham Young boasts one of the nation's best quarterbacks, Jim McMahon (opposite page), who holds 32 NCAA offensive records; cornerback Mark Brady (left) applies hit; coach LaVell Edwards (above)

"It was ironic," muses Edwards. "We played much better in other bowl games, but we always found a way to lose. This game, we didn't play well, but we hung in their close enough to come back."

It wasn't a case of two-minute offense—BYU's two-minute offense starts with the opening kickoff—but of two-minute defense. Having been pushed all over San Diego Stadium all evening, the Cougar "D" finally pushed back—and Bill Schoepflin's blocked punt 15 seconds from game's end put McMahon on the field again.

McMahon is the trigger man for history's most prolific offense. An All-Western Athletic Conference quarterback as a sophomore, the 6-1, 180-pounder red-shirted in 1979 as Marc Wilson guided the Cougars to the NCAA's first 4,000-yard passing season. But McMahon is not above one-upmanship: BYU threw for 4,918 yards last fall. Still, the Cougars had to prove themselves in a bowl game and earn their No. 12 ranking.

"On a smaller scale," says Edwards, "it's the same kind of thing that happened to Bo Schembechler at Michigan—showing up at a bowl every year and never winning. There wasn't an interview that week that we didn't hear the question, "Is this going to be the year?"

It was. And this year? Interestingly, McMahon is one of the few starting QB's in the WAC returning—but he lost the bulk of his supporting cast to graduation, and his guru, offensive coordinator Doug Scovil, to San Diego State, where he's now in charge after Claude Gilbert's 1980 Aztecs didn't live up to expectations with a 4-8 finish.

Colorado State exceeded expectations and was in the WAC race until the final game, and should be a contender again along with fast-finishing Hawaii, Wyoming, and Utah. But figure that a new champion will have to find a way to get past the revered Mr. Edwards.

Canonization, if we may jump from church to Boise State, did not come so easily for Jim Criner, who weathered a rocky first season as Bronco coach in 1976, a spying scandal in 1978, and a year's probation from the Big Sky Conference before taking BSU to the NCAA Division I-AA title last fall. That may, at last, have sated Boise's demanding fans, who suffered through three straight unsuccessful cracks at Division II glory in the mid-1970's. And as with BYU, it took some last-second heroics for the Broncos to put those frustrations behind them. The gunner, in this instance, was Joe Aliotti, who completed three straight passes to Kipp Bedard before finding tight end Duane Dlouhy in the end zone with 12 seconds left for the winning points in a 31-29 triumph over Eastern Kentucky. And Criner could be excused if he felt it was destiny.

"Three years ago, we put a sign in our locker room—at eye level—that said, 'Those who stay will be national champions,'" Criner recalled. "After spending the 1977 season with these kids when they were freshmen, we felt strongly that this group could go all the way." That group included three of the Broncos' "Four Horsemen"—running backs Cedric Minter, David Hughes, and Terry Zahner—who were later joined by Aliotti. All are gone now, and Criner must find new riders.



WESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

BRIGHAM YOUNG

"Every now and then," chuckles Edwards, "I have to remind myself that most people have only seen us on two occasions on TV in the past couple of years—in the bowl games where we gave up 38 and 45 points. And here I am trying to tell them how good our defense is." Which is good enough to lead the WAC in fewest points allowed last season—and, Edwards hopes, good enough to carry that high-octane offense for a few games.

Though McMahon (the national passing-efficiency leader with a 176.9 rating, including 4,571 yards, a 63.8 percent completion rate, and 47 TD's) returns, BYU loses four wide receivers, two tight ends, four running backs, and three tackles. And though there's undoubtedly talent buried in a 40-deep list of lettermen, there's little experience.

"This spring, there were two or three times when Jim's anticipated a receiver doing something, thrown the pass, and found no one there," says Edwards. "He's got to back off a little bit—they aren't on the same level yet."

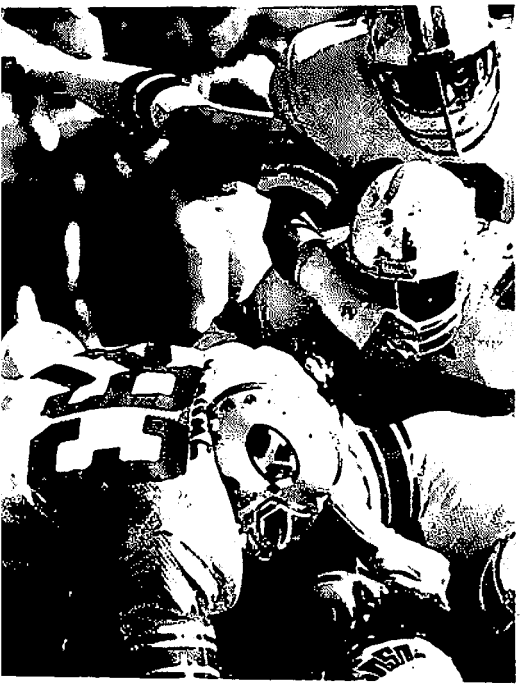
Dan Plater is the only returning wide-out, but red-shirt Neil Balholm and junior Scott Collie should prove to be capable targets and sophomore Gordon Hudson may be a budding star at tight end. The top tailback candidate is speedy Scott Pettis, and Edwards has two solid fullback types in Waymon Hamilton and Bruce Hansen.

Calvin Close (6-3, 246) returned from his LDS mission to earn All-WAC honors at guard last fall and will set up next to center Bart Oates (6-4, 249) and guard Lloyd Eldredge (6-4, 245). Steve Rogers (245), Vince Stroth, and Walt Manwill are the other top holdovers.

On defense, the lone returning linebacker is Kyle Whittingham (219) in the middle, but lettermen Mark Walker (220), David Aupiu (226), and Mike O'Neil should be ready for front-line duty. And the Cougar front appears loaded with

1981 ALL-ROCKIES TEAM

OFFENSE			
Quarterback	Jim McMahon	SR	Brigham Young
Running Back	Gary Allen	SR	Hawaii
Running Back	Delbert Thompson	SR	Texas-El Paso
Wide Receiver	Kipp Bedard	SR	Boise State
Wide Receiver	Dan Plater	SR	Brigham Young
Tight End	Rod Childs	SR	Idaho State
Tackle	Bruce Ferry	SR	Idaho
Tackle	Jack Campbell	SR	Utah
Guard	Calvin Close	SR	Brigham Young
Guard	Jesse Sapolu	JR	Hawaii
Center	Larry Rubens	SR	Montana State
Place-kicker	Jon Poole	SOPH	Colorado State
DEFENSE			
End	Todd Liebenstein	SR	Nevada-Las Vegas
End	Jimmie Carter	SOPH	New Mexico
Tackle	Randy Trautman	SR	Boise State
Tackle	Steve Clark	SR	Utah
Noseguard	Falaniko Noga	SOPH	Hawaii
Linebacker	Danny Rich	SR	Weber State
Linebacker	John Schachtner	SR	Northern Arizona
Back	Mike Fox	JR	San Diego State
Back	Johnny Jackson	SR	Air Force
Back	Rick Woods	SR	Boise State
Back	Mark Brady	SR	Brigham Young
Punter	Jack Weil	SOPH	Wyoming



The Brigham Young defense is led by LB Kyle Whittingham (#59 opposite page) and DE Brad Anae (above).

returning starters Brad Anae (6-5, 248), Chuck Ehin (252), and Mike Morgan (6-5, 248)—along with Pulusila Filiaga (246), a starter until he attacked a referee in the Utah State game. He'll play with probation hanging over his head. Anae was all-league along with safety Mark Brady, anchoring a secondary that will include Tom Holmoe, whose seven interceptions led the WAC. Brady's brother Steve may find a spot, too.

Holiday Bowl hero Gunther returns to handle placements after a busy 1980 when he booted 64 PAT's and six field goals, but Edwards must come up with a punter to replace Clay Brown, WAC leader in 1979.

HAWAII

The Rainbow Warriors were out of the WAC race before it started in 1980, losing to Wyoming and UTEP in their first two league games. But Dick Tomey's club rallied for an 8-3 season—Hawaii's best ever as a division I member—and 15 starters return.

One question Tomey won't have to answer is where to play do-it-all Blaine Gaison, a hybrid quarterback/free safety who went both ways as a senior. He and regular QB Mike Stennis are gone, leaving senior Steve Rakhshani to fend off red-shirts Andy Page, Bernard Quarles, and Raphel Cherry.

Annually one of the WAC's best rushing attacks, Hawaii will be strong again, thanks to the duo of Gary Allen (884 yards) and David Toloumu (eighth in the nation in kickoff returns with a 26.1 average). Allen has gained 2,445 yards in his career—not bad for someone who was a wide receiver until midway through his freshman year—and for the second straight year earned All-WAC honors, which also went to guard Jesse Sapolu (6-3, 260). He's the heart of a front wall that returns starters Jim Mills (6-8, 260) and Bernard Carvalho (6-3, 250), along with Keith Ah Yuen (270), red-shirt Kani Kauahi (260), and JC recruits Jim Donovan (245) and Danny Browne. The receiving corps returns intact—tight end Dave Barbour (19.9 yards per catch) joining split-outs Ron Pennick (23 for 282) and Merv Lopes.

The find of 1980 was noseguard Falaniko Noga, All-WAC as a freshman, who had 16 tackles for losses. But what does Tomey do with 1979 starter Ital Sataua? There's room at tackle opposite Reggie Robinson (240), but three-year letterman Tony Holyfield (250) or red-shirt Kesi Afalava (230) may move in there. There's not much hope for newcomers at linebacker, either, as all four starters return—Andy Moody and Marcus Tarver outside, Doug Kyle and Steve Lehor in the middle.

Dana McLemore is a three-year starter at cornerback and a fine punt returner—the veteran of a secondary that will include part-timers Mark Kafentzis and Verlon Redd and JC help Ryan Buhk and Marty Sims. Another juco prize was punter Frank Natividad, who will split the kicking chores of departed Jim Asmus with Lee Larsen.

WYOMING

The old recruiting joke about Laramie is that getting a player to come isn't the hard part. Keeping him there once he sees the place is.

Not funny, say Cowboy fans, especially since their coach skipped town faster than a home-sick freshman. Pat Dye found greener pastures at Auburn after just one year, bringing the Pokes their second winner in more than a decade (at 6-5). Offensive coordinator Al Kincaid, however, likes Laramie just fine—and the wishbone offense, too, which turned Wyoming into the nation's No. 11 rushing team. As head coach, Kincaid's top priority will be pass defense.

The Cowboys were last in the league in that department, and Kincaid admits it's because the new staff was geared to stop the option, not the student-body-go-long attacks of the WAC. Oddly enough, the entire secondary returns, the best of the bunch being cornerman Bruce Small (six interceptions) and free safety John Salley, the lone junior. Kincaid will have to scramble for a pass rush, however, as all-leaguers Chuck Bradford and Guy Frazier graduated. Charlie Pattison (6-5, 260) and Rick Farsworth (6-4, 240) are two fine tackles, but Joe Pruzina, Ray Clanton, and Nate Bowens will have to step in at noseguard and end to plug the holes. Seniors Jim Eliopulos and Reggie Fowler are capable linebackers.

All but one WAC regular completed more passes than Poke QB Phil Davis, but the shifty senior was still fourth in total offense (1,662 yards). He'll be pushed again by Craig Johnson. Mandel Robinson (873 yards) is the biggest missing person at running back, and Walter Goffigan, Pete Ruel, and Tony Campbell must pick up the slack. Steve Martinez caught 27 passes (for 513 yards) in a wishbone attack and returns with tight end James Williams. Center Joe DiGiorgio (235) and tackle Gary Crum (6-5, 270) are the veterans of the line.

Wyoming's kicking game may have been the nation's best last year, and all the principals return: punter Jack Weil (44.0, seventh in the nation), place-kicker Steve Tobin (11-15 FG, 37-38 PAT), and punt returner Darnell Clash (11.1, seventh).

UTAH

Batting .500 is okay, but Utah coach Wayne Howard would like to find a happy medium between his home-run offense and his "ole!" defense.

The offense, he thinks, will take care of itself, despite the loss of quarterback Ricky Hardin (62 percent completions, 2,459 yards), tailback Tony Lindsay (nearly 3,000 career yards), tight end Steve Folsom, and guard Dean Miraldi, who took in the sights at three bowl games. But then, at 420 yards a game (ninth in the nation), the Utes can spare a few yards.

Whether they'll have to depends on the outcome of a fierce quarterback race, with backup Tyce Ferguson battling red-shirt Ricky Harrison and Jeff Battcher, a Tennessee-Chattanooga transfer. And whether Del Rodgers (599 yards), Robbie Richeson, or Hilria Johnson can fill Lindsay's shoes. And whether Andy Parker meets Folsom's standards. And whether, well, you get the picture.

Good protection should be available from a line led by Jack Campbell (6-5, 275), who could be one of the nation's best. Wayne Jones (6-4, 260) and platooning centers Pete Vargas (245) and Don Eck (240) also return. On the JC front, Howard lured massive Donald Tialavea (6-2, 295) and Angel Aguilar (6-4, 245). Jim Teahan

That's tailback Gary Allen of Hawaii.





Quarterback Phil Davis of Wyoming

(33 catches, 486 yards) is the Utes' career receiving leader and will get support from Joe Tarver and Tony Graham.

Utah's defense should keep up better in 1981, and that could mean improvement on a 5-5-1 record. The BMOD is Steve Clark (6-5, 240), one of the nation's top defensive tackles, who will be aided by Brian Martinek, William Johnson (6-5, 255), and Frank Sheldon. The linebacker corps is intact with Mark Anderson, Bill Gompf, and Dan Stewart, though UCLA transfer Bob Leggins and two other red-shirts will push. All-WAC cornerback Jeff Griffin is the big loss in the secondary, but free safety Tony Reed returns and there's lots of juco talent.

COLORADO STATE

Otherwise known as Enigma State. The Rams managed to lose three of their first five games by a total 138 points yet needed only to upset Brigham Young in the season finale to win their first WAC title. Well, "only" turned out to be a 45-14 defeat, but it was still a banner year at Fort Collins.

Sixteen starters return from than 6-4-1 team, but the missing persons may be too hard to replace. Steve Fairchild departed with 2,369 yards of total offense, and WAC rushing leader Alvin Lewis (1,047 yards) left, too. So did defensive star Orbry Chamblee.

There's a solid offensive line remaining with the likes of Joe Porter (6-5, 250), Kevin Call (6-7, 260), Aaron Finch (235), and Ed Rhoads (240), plus tight end Mike Camp (26 catches, 353 yards) and wide receivers Richie Hall (21-362) and Jeff Raikes. Terry Nugent may have the inside track on three other holdovers at quarterback (watch for freshmen Mark Miller and Steve Schultz, too), and the pass may be even more important for CSU this year if coach Sark Arslanian can't replace Lewis.

The Rams' three-man defensive front is manned by returning starters Andre Augustine (6-3, 254), Mike Call (6-6, 251), and Andy Poremba, but Arslanian has to find the right linebackers to join Kevin Sheesley and Jeff Harper. There's a ton of holdovers in the secondary, inlcluding Less Browne, Jacky Allen, and Mike Faucett.

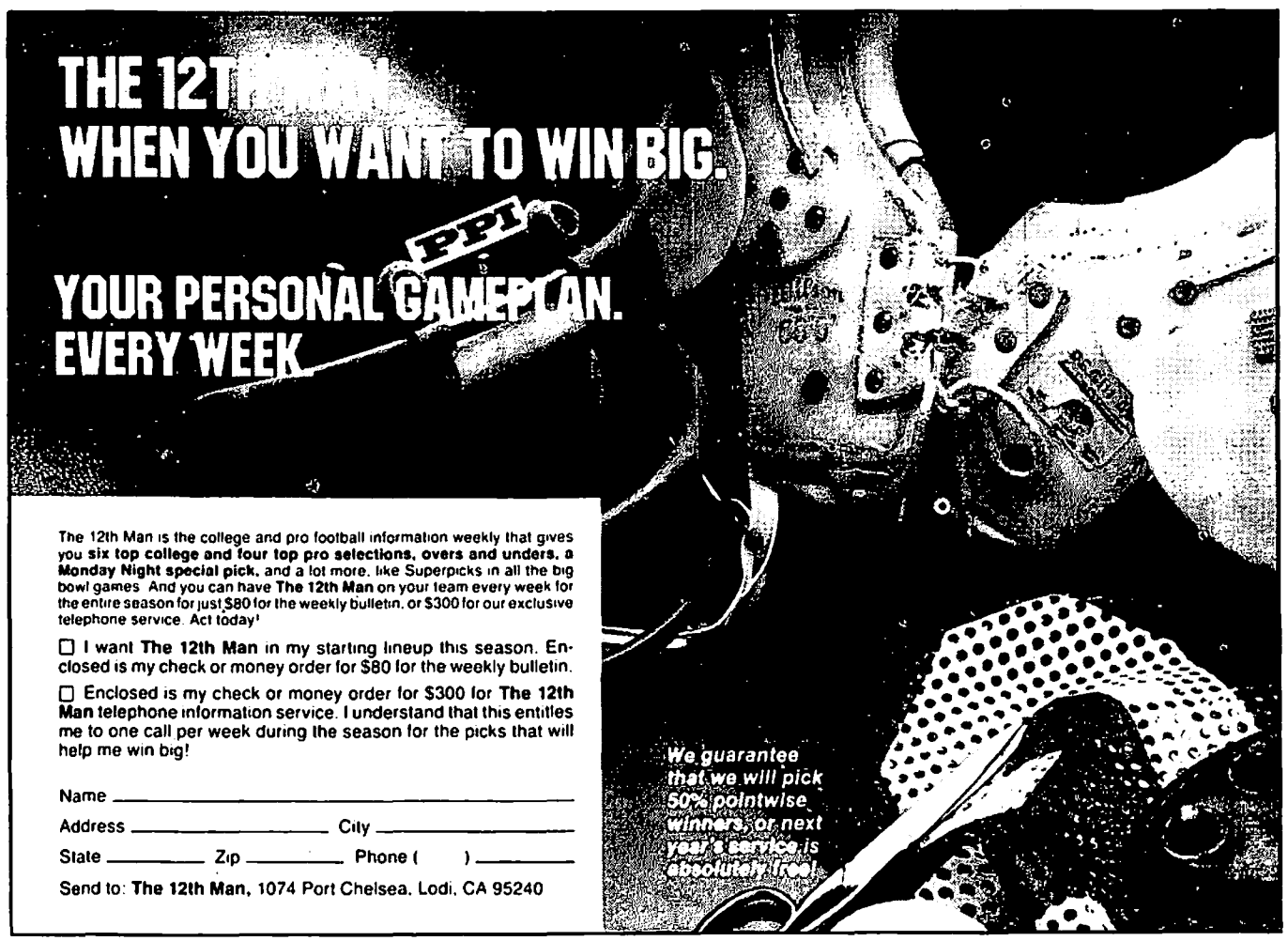
Arslanian can't improve much on his kicking game with Jon Poole (16-22 FG, 20-21 PAT) and Tom Templer (41.6).

NEW MEXICO

Joe Morrison was WAC coach of the year for the first half of the season and the AMA's best friend the second. The too-thin-to-win Lobos knocked off Brigham Young and Wyoming in taking three of their first five games, but won only once thereafter when injuries took away some of Morrison's important people, like quarterback Brad Wright and All-WAC linebacker Bob Shupryt.

But the injury shuffling left 20 players with starting experience. Seven former Lobos who missed the 1980 season return and nine transfers signed on as Morrison tries to build up a head of steam similar to the one produced by his old Tennessee-Chattanooga choo-choo.

One of the transfers is Phil Trent, a 6-2, 190-pound running back who spent two years at Nebraska. Good credentials, but he'll still have to beat out Jim Brooks (483 yards) or Michael Johnson for a starting berth. Robin Gabriel, son of former NFL star Roman, threw for more than 1,000 yards after being thrust into the starting role six games into the season. David Osborn is in the QB running, too. With Mark Biren and John Lane having split time at tight end and Derwin Williams and Keith McGee ditto at wide receiver, the big question seems to be the



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New Mexico coach Joe Morrison (top), defensive end Jimmie Carter (left), and noseguard Greg Azar

offensive line, where Nathan Ham is the only starter back. So watch for JC imports Kevin Ates (245) and Steve Ast to crack the lineup.

Across the ball, the line needs help, too. Returnees Jimmie Carter at end and Greg Azar at noseguard are quick, but small at 197 and 190 pounds. The return of Mark Venable (237) and Chuck Best (228) after a year's absence should help.

Morrison has a raft of linebackers in starters Richard Mello, Jake Simpson, and Don Weisman, plus some juco recruits. And there's plenty of experience in the secondary with Todd Campbell, Julius Johnson, Larry Lawler, Tracy Mount, Frank Sedillo, and Reggie Waites.

SAN DIEGO STATE

Former Aztec coach Don Coryell blasted SDSU officials for firing Gilbert, who put in eight years as head coach, but even the hard Charger would have a hard time arguing with their choice of successor.

Maestro of the BYU aerial show and molder of quarterbacks (do Roger Staubach, Bob Lee, Gifford Nielsen, and Marc Wilson ring a bell?), Scovil will be certain to put the pass back in the Aztec attack. At the trigger, in all likelihood, will be either Matt Kofler (55 percent completions, 1,139 yards part-time) or Rick Hansen, a little-used junior who may have the stronger arm. Since SDSU went with a two-tight end set the last half of the season, Scovil needed some receivers. He lured JC prize Gary Nobles of Santa Monica and prep blue-chipper Vince Warren to join speedy Kipper Bell and Darius Durham, who caught 15 passes each last year.

The line took the rap for the Aztecs' offensive troubles last year. Scovil went heavily to the JC well and found Rod McNeil (6-5, 265), Rob Gilster (235), and Kevin Howell (240) to team with returning starters Darryl Yarbrough (240) and Roger Bender (240) and red-shirt Jerry Stabelin (6-6, 245), a JC All-America in 1979. John Jessup will have to hold off Texas A&M transfer Jim Beautrow (6-3, 225) at tight end.

In the backfield, Steve Fogel and Don Roberts were to be 1980 starters, but were felled, respectively, by an Achilles tear and a shoulder separation. Derrick Harvey (338 yards) is the top returning rusher, but look out for freshmen Tommy Mason and Robbie Harrison.

The defense has just five starters back, but tackles Brad Williams and Kevin Richey (both 6-3, 230) could be cornerstones of a solid unit. JC transfer Donnell Wingo (6-3, 235) may be the best hope at noseguard. Even Aztec discus thrower Richard Slaney, a massive 6-7, 275 Briton who never played football, is turning out.

Rick Boyer is the lone linebacker returning, so Doug Reed and Todd Seabaugh were brought in from the juco ranks. There are two top cornermen in Mike Fox, the NCAA kickoff-return champ (32.8), and Vernon Dean, while Stanford transfer Robbie Chapman will help at safety.

AIR FORCE

Washington, Boston College, and Tulane were all 1-0 in WAC competition last year, thanks to the Falcons—and Tulane will have a chance for two straight unbeaten "conference" seasons as Air Force again fills out its league schedule with a couple of designated games.

Against real WAC foes, the Junior Birdmen were 1-3, and lost the other three by an average of a touchdown apiece. Not too bad for rookies, though they'll test that percentage early, their first four games being league affairs.

Coach Ken Hatfield's most visible need is for a quarterback to replace Scott Schafer. Backup Marty Louthan is the leader among four sophomores. Andy Bark, on the other end of more than half of Air Force's completions, has graduated, leaving Dennis Moore and Mike Kirby as the top catchers, along with tight end Fred Cianciolo. In the line, tackles Al Wiley and Dave Uzzell return with center Richard Smith—but at 224 pounds, Wiley is the big man.

The Falcons will be strong at running back, with leading rusher Ted Sundquist (583 yards) back with Charlie Heath and George James. If they get close, kicker Sean Pavlich is working on a streak of seven successful field goals.



Utah's All-America defensive tackle Steve Clark (top right), offensive tackle Jack Campbell (right), and wide receiver Jim Teahan (above)

Eight starters return for Hatfield on defense, including a pair of standouts—safety Johnny Jackson (6-4, 185) and linebacker Mike France—who accounted for 256 tackles between them last year. Jackson will get help in the secondary from David Carraway (5 interceptions) and Doug Dunbar, and Shawn Smith will complement France. Tom Schluckebier (6-3, 232) is the best player on a defensive line that includes three other returning starters: Bob Avila, Chris Reymann, and Jim Dahlmann.

TEXAS-EL PASO

Back to the drawing board for Bill Michael, whose UTEP record sagged to 5-42 with a 1-11 season. He entered his fifth season with an



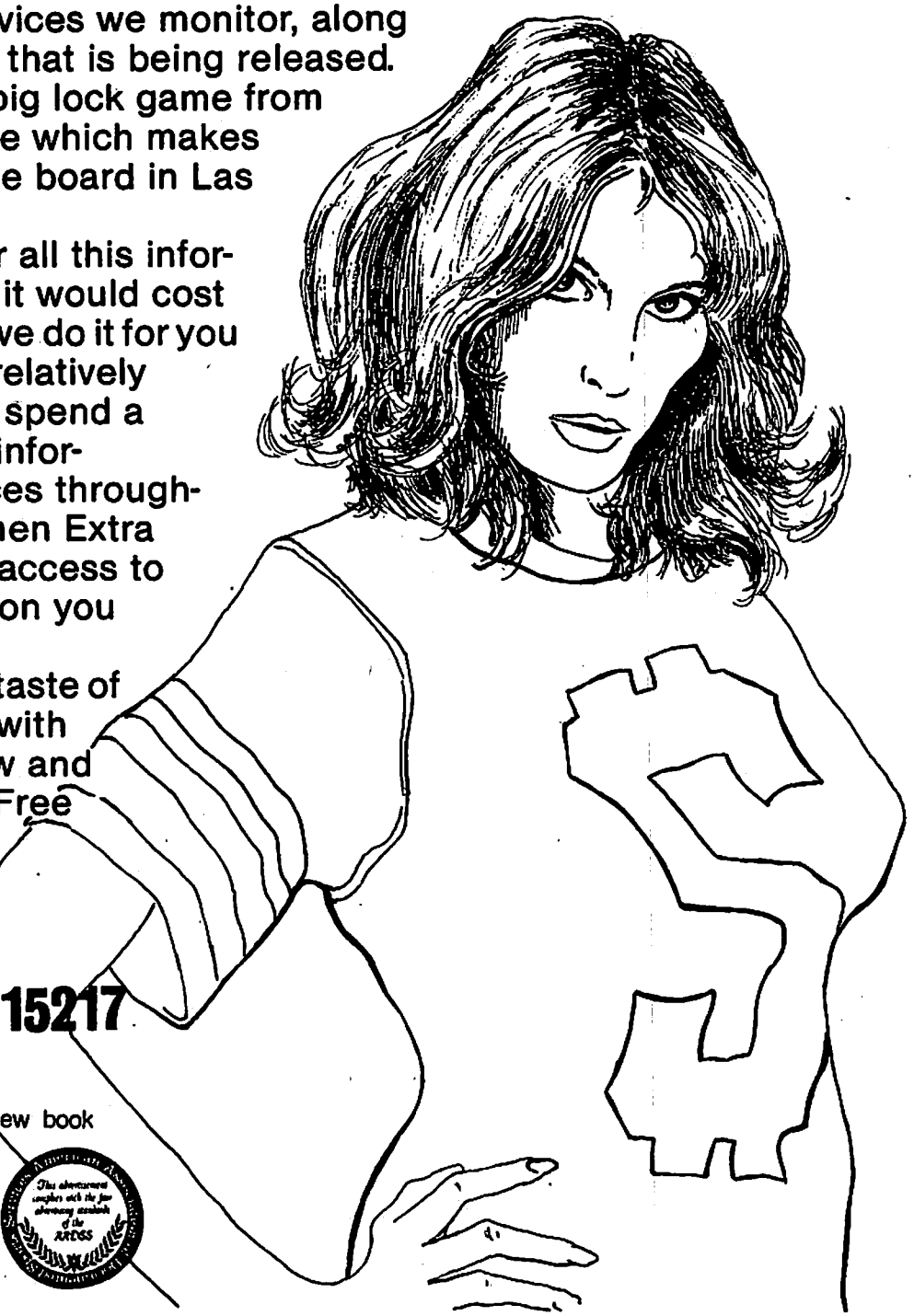
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almost all-new crew of assistants. Now, what about some new players?

One he doesn't have to replace is All-WAC running back Delbert Thompson, whose 923 yards rushing made him 56 percent of the Miners' offense. But he's one of just four returning starters on offense, the others being tight end Bobby Fowler and linemen Greg Benefield (6-3, 260) and Kevin Belcher.

Paul Sieczkowski deserted the Miners' disaster, leaving Keith Castle and Jeff Riley as Michael's most experienced QB's. Receiver help will have to come from jucos Ricky Padia and Jerry Jones, while discusman Carlos Scott (201-9 in 1980) and two hefty freshmen from Arlington, Doug Martin (250) and Johnny Cobb (273), could fill out the line.

Things are somewhat brighter on defense, though the Miners were dead last in that, too. There's experience in the secondary with Joey Whitley, Rusty Ogden, and David Balfanz. Linebacking aid for Darryl Carpenter, who missed spring drills because of knee surgery, and Raymond Morris arrived in JC's Adrian Holloway (6-2, 230) and Walter Ballard (6-2, 223). Melvin Besses appears recovered from a foot injury and ready to resume his All-WAC status as defensive end, anchoring a line that will include Dan Salter (230) and JC catch Randy Sentell (250).

INDEPENDENT

NEVADA-LAS VEGAS

Eight WAC teams dot the UNLV schedule again this fall, but there's still no welcome mat from the league, which continues to balk over the issue of "institutional control." So the players remain Rebels without a cause—or at least without a conference.

They do like to win, of course, but had a tendency to blow hot and cold in 1980, winning by as many as 65 points and losing by as many as 40. Expect better things from coach Tony Knap's defense this fall, since 11 starters return at ten positions.

Big Todd Liebenstein (6-7, 245) heads an all-senior defensive line that made 43 sacks last year, Jeff Justice (240), Julius Funches, and Phil O'Neill (240) being the other principals. Bubba Mattinson and John Higgins split time at outside linebacker last year, but Higgins is being shifted to fill the hole at strong safety, leaving Mattinson to team with starters Mike Walker (220) and Michael Johnson (218). Higgins will join Bryan Human, Charles Jarvis, and Kinyon Jenkins in the secondary.

Knap will have to do more rebuilding on offense, but he does have an experienced quarterback—Sam King, who threw for 1,594 yards in 1979 before red-shirting—and capable backs in Michael Morton (552 yards, 7.0 a carry) and Ray Crouse (431). JC lineman Daryl Riley (6-5, 265) will arrive in the fall to help returning starters Jeff Stewart (6-6, 250) and Charles Cain (230).

UNLV lost 73 receptions through the departures of Sam Greene and Robert Cobb, but figure flashy (though tiny) James Sandusky to grab his share. He averaged 19 yards per catch and scored 20 TD's in two seasons at Walla Walla Community College. He'll complement Jeff Spek, a solid tight end.

BIG SKY CONFERENCE

BOISE STATE

Having the horses is one thing. Making sure you hitch them to the wagon in the right order is another.

After losing two of their first four games, the Broncos made a couple of nondescript lineup changes that Criner credits, at least in part, with righting some wrongs in 1980. One was installing smaller, quicker John Gasser ("he weighed about 187—we lied about that all year," Criner blushes) at guard, eliminating some blocking breakdowns. Another was rotating reserve Jeff Turpin at both corners "which made better players of all three of them (Chris Bell and Mike Bradeson being the other two)."

But that's just fine-tuning, which can be effective when you have the horsepower in the

San Diego State quarterback Matt Kofler (right) and one of his best targets, WR Darius Durham (below)





first place. And that's what Boise's Sons of the Four Horsemen supplied. But the graduation of QB Joe Aliotti and backs David Hughes, Cedric Minter, and Terry Zahner robs Criner of 2,254 yards on the ground and 1,590 through the air, and of their less tangible contributions.

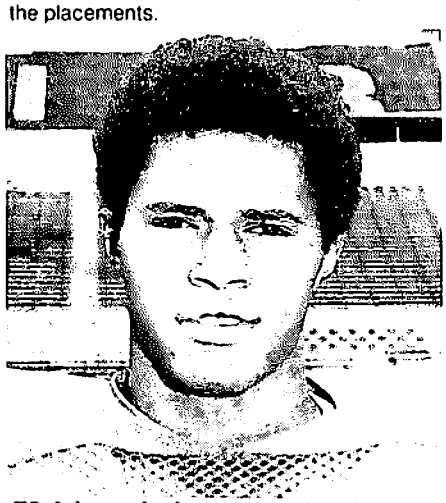
If Criner doesn't have that same "feeling" he had in 1977 when the horsemen arrived, however, he will admit to having "excellent talent" to replace them. "This group," he says, "could be very good." Sophomore Tim Klena is the heir apparent to Aliotti, but will get a push

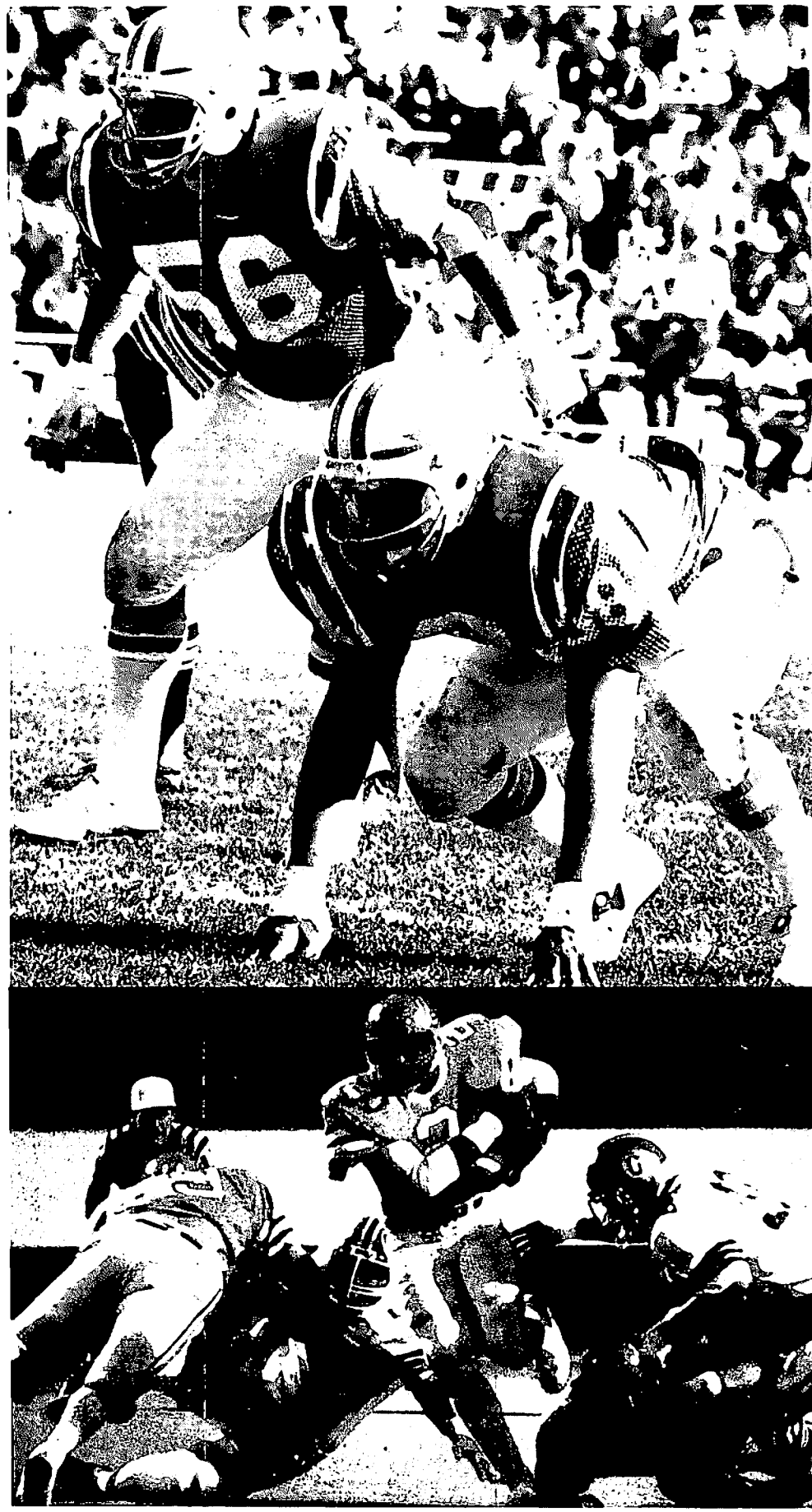
from red-shirt Rick Rebozzi. Likewise, Rodney Webster is the budding star at tailback, but look out for John Broadous, who gained 1,200 yards and All-America honors at West Los Angeles JC. Another import, Robert Farmer, joins Tom Barrieau and Darren Corpus in the race to replace Hughes at fullback.

Boise returns just ten starters, but there's quality on both sides of the ball. Kipp Bedard, a two-time All-Big Sky wide receiver, caught 27 passes for 383 yards—and snared 11 for 212 in the Camellia Bowl win over Eastern Kentucky. Title game hero Duane Dlouhy (6-5, 225) is a top tight end (19 for 295). Holdover Ron Harvey and juco recruit Randy Mayo add speed at flanker. Bookend tackles Dennis Brady (6-3, 235), an All-BSC pick, and Bill Madinger (255) return on the line, which will be bolstered by Jeff Greenough (6-5, 250) and Chip Barnett, plus transfers Jon Zogg (6-4, 250), Mike McConvey (6-4, 250), and Nick Mullahey (235).

The tackle spots are strong on defense, too, what with the return of All-America Randy Trautman (6-3, 245), who "has a chance to be the best defensive player in Big Sky history," according to Criner, and Canadian Michel Bourgeau (6-4, 240), plus JC catch Eric McCree (6-6, 265). But the key area will be linebacker, where the Broncos lost five top players and need Ray Santucci (6-2, 230) and JC All-America John Rade to come through. Bell and all-league safety Rick Woods head up the secondary, with Larry Alder, Kevrette Johnson, and Curt Wardhaugh also quality players. Woods led the league in punt returning.

Klena or Rade will handle the punting with No. 3 I-AA booter Tom Spadefore gone, while Kenrick Camerud (7-15 FG, 27-34 PAT) handles the placements.





FS Johnny Jackson (above) and LB Mike France (#56) and DE Bob Avila of Air Force; running back Delbert Thompson (right) of Texas-El Paso

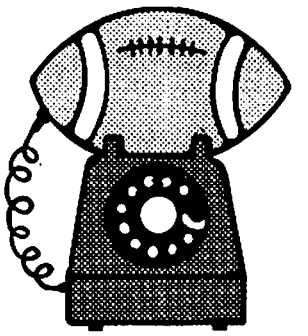
IDAHO

"Black Monday" is what they were calling it in Moscow. On the same day during Idaho's spring practice, Vandal quarterbacks Ken Hobart and Mark Vigil went down with knee injuries. Coach Jerry Davitch put on his bravest face and sweated through two sessions of exploratory surgery before learning both had sustained minor damage and should be fit for fall. Davitch, however, wasn't taking any more chances: contact drills were abandoned.

If Hobart, the "Kamiah Kid," comes back 100 percent, the Vandals might well be the class

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of the Big Sky after their 6-5 showing in 1980. While he may be the league's most versatile QB (829 yards rushing, 1,083 passing), Hobart is certainly not the Long Ranger. Forty-eight other Vandal lettermen return, including 14 starters. The nation's No. 2 I-AA rushing team (260.3 yards a game), Idaho returns its backfield intact, though Davitch will have to rebuild the line.

Terry Idler had no problem bouncing back from major knee surgery last year, returning to his 1978 freshman form with 678 yards—and more importantly, a 7.1 per-carry average. Speedy Russell Davis (523) and Wally Jones (451) also return, and JC transfer John Buren is available. When Hobart throws, tight end Tom Coombs (6-4, 230 with 19 catches for 355 yards and 5 TD's) is there to grab it, and Davitch should have more help for Jack Klein (21-311) at wide receiver with juco Mitch Lawrence and three red-shirts. All-Big Sky tackle Bruce Fery (6-4, 250) and counterpart Steve Seman (256) are the only returning starters on the line, however.

The Vandal defense broke down against Boise and Nevada-Reno last year, but has eight starters back, with quality players in each area. Jay Hayes (6-6, 230) hopes to rebound from a spring injury to head up a talented line that includes Dave Frohnen (6-3, 230), Steve Nelson, and Kevin Auxier. Sam Merriman (6-4, 210) and Shawn Jackson (220) are solid at linebacker, and Greg Jennings and Kelly Miller are among the Big Sky's best secondary backs, splitting 193 tackles last year. End Larry Barker, the league leader in tackles for losses, will be the toughest man to replace, and the newcomer to watch is linebacker Darby Lewis, who started his career at Arizona State.

NEVADA-RENO

No one ever accused Reno of being a four-horse town. One horse—Frank Hawkins—was always enough.

On a plow horse's timetable, Hawkins produced thoroughbred results: 5,333 career rushing yards, 5.6 yards every time he touched the ball. And he touched it a lot: an average of 286 times for each of his last three seasons. Those years also happened to be the first for the NCAA's division I-AA, and the "Hawk" reigned over the nation's running backs all three seasons—upping his record ante to 1,719 yards as a senior.

So Frankly, my dear, Wolfpack coach Chris Ault gives a damn about Hawkins's departure. But it will be of more than a little interest to see if John Vicari, second fiddle for three seasons, has the stuff for first chair. He's been labeled by Ault as the Big Sky's most versatile back and proved it in 1979 with 746 yards rushing and 23 receptions for 223 yards. Those totals slipped to 550 and 19 for 97 last year, but Vicari definitely will be the big man in Reno's backfield.

Look for Ault, however, to pass more, with sophomore Jeff Ardito (50 percent completions, 1,134 yards) at the controls ahead of Kevin Wheeler and David Heppe. Fleet Billie Byrd and tight end Bubba Melcher will be back to run down those passes, along with juco import Tony Limutau. Pass protection will come from Todd Wilcks (6-3, 250), Melvin Gentry (235), and Tom McCarthy (235), all returning starters.

Still, Reno's best value is defense. Six regulars return from the Big Sky's stingiest unit (and No. 6 in the nation), but Ault wasn't standing pat, bringing in no fewer ten junior collegians. Talented linebacker John Ramatici and Steve Knapp and end Charles Mann (6-6, 220) will get support from Joe Dufur, David Johnson, and Charley Ohlhauser, while six imports fight for three open secondary spots around free safety Ollie Simpson, the lone starter back. Another JC recruit, noseguard Mark Smith, could find a spot between tackles Bob Hamm (6-5, 240) and Greg Miller (6-3, 250), who anchored a line that yielded just 76 yards a game on the ground.

Ault eventually found a steady place-kicker last year in Tony Shaw, who drilled 8 of 12 field goals and all 14 PAT attempts in just six games.



UNLV coach Tony Knap (top), Reno LB John Ramatici (center), and UNLV QB Sam King and RB Mike Morton (below)

IDAHO STATE

Has anyone checked for a burning bush on the ISU campus? Can Dave Kragthorpe turn Gatorade into wine? Did the Bengals do it with mirrors, or what?

The reply from 13,895 fans—the largest sports crowd in ISU Minidome history—who watched the Bengals drop their season finale to Boise State: who cares? Quite suddenly, football wasn't a flop anymore in Pocatello, and Kragthorpe's particular brand of miracle was just fine with them. From an 0-11 season under embattled Bud Hake in 1979 and a losing streak that eventually stretched to 19 games, Kragthorpe guided the Bengals to a 6-5 record. And that meant fannies in the Minidome seats—about 4,000 more per game than in 1979.

What put them there—and put points on the board (25 a game compared with 9 in 1979)—was the passing game Kragthorpe came to love as an assistant at Brigham Young. He found a quarterback who could handle it in Mike Machurek, who became the Big Sky's newcomer of the year by hitting 196 of 390 passes for 2,397 yards and 16 TD's, finishing third in the nation in total offense. Seven other positions on the ISU offense are filled with returning starters, including tight end, where Rod Childs earned all-league honors by catching 41 passes for 640 yards, tops in the Sky. Wide receiver holdovers include Jerry Bird and Chris Corp (27-532).

The Bengals averaged fewer than 100 yards a game on the ground, but Kragthorpe will refine the run with Lamar Fite and Dwain Wilson (407 yards rushing, 36 catches) at tailback and Cliff Baxter and Rick Ambrosi at fullback. Red-shirt Scott Marchand will fortify the offensive line, which includes platooners Steve Anderson (240) and Dan Taylor (6-3, 260)



at tackle and Ken Noel (240) and Ken Bacon (255) at guard.

Cause for concern on defense includes the graduation of backs Aaron Graham and William Harrison, who came aboard last year after U.S. International abandoned football, and Bob Matsey,, the league's top secondary tackler. Steve Scott and John Berry have starting experience, as does Terry Wilson, an all-league choice before red-shirting in 1980. Scott Berger (6-2, 230) and John Olivia were lured from the JC talent pool to shore up the linebacking, where Kevin Ryan (6-3, 220) and Dave Walser return as starters. John Naut (6-2½, 227) was ISU's top lineman a year ago, and returns with George Semons.

Once again, the Bengals' best weapon may be kicker Case de Bruijn, who led I-AA in punting (44.0) after two runner-up years and was 8-15 on FG's.

MONTANA STATE

For the first time since 1971, the Bobcats weren't a factor in the Big Sky title chase. The highlight of their season, of course, was a stirring 18-17 triumph over Boise, but that game turned around the Bronco's fortunes, not MSU's.

If Sonny Lubick can revive a sputtering offense and connect the right dots on the defensive front, the Cats could rebound from that disappointing 4-6 season—though it will be tough to build momentum with Washington State and Fresno State as the first two opponents.

Barry Sullivan fit into the MSU quarterback mold as a freshman and still has two years to go, at which time Lubick will probably make another trip to Butte to extend the legacy of Sullivan and Paul Dennehy. Sully hit 59 percent of his passes last year and was No. 5 in the total-offense department with 1,267 yards. His top rusher, tailback Tony Boddie (695 yards), returns to play behind either Mike Shill or Jim Kalafat at fullback. Tight end Tom Fox is gone, but wide-outs Bill Walker and Pat McLeod are steady receivers.

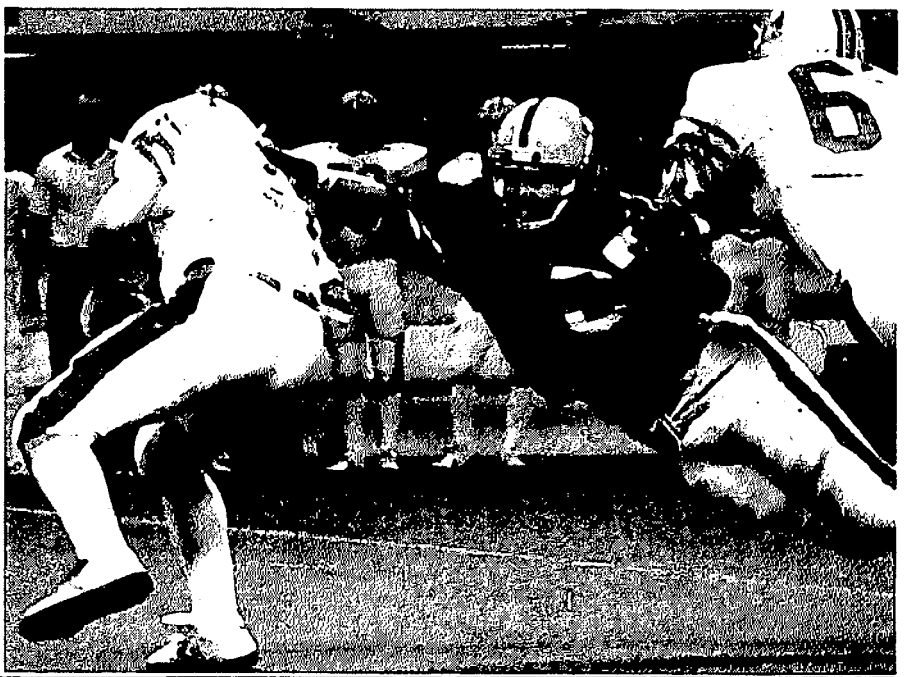
What did the Cats in on offense was a ravaged line, which may have been a blessing in disguise. Tackle Scott Sax (6-7, 245) would have been the only returnee this fall, but standout center Larry Rubens (240) and guard Don Samuelson red-shirted after early knee injuries. Charles White and John Blackman also return.

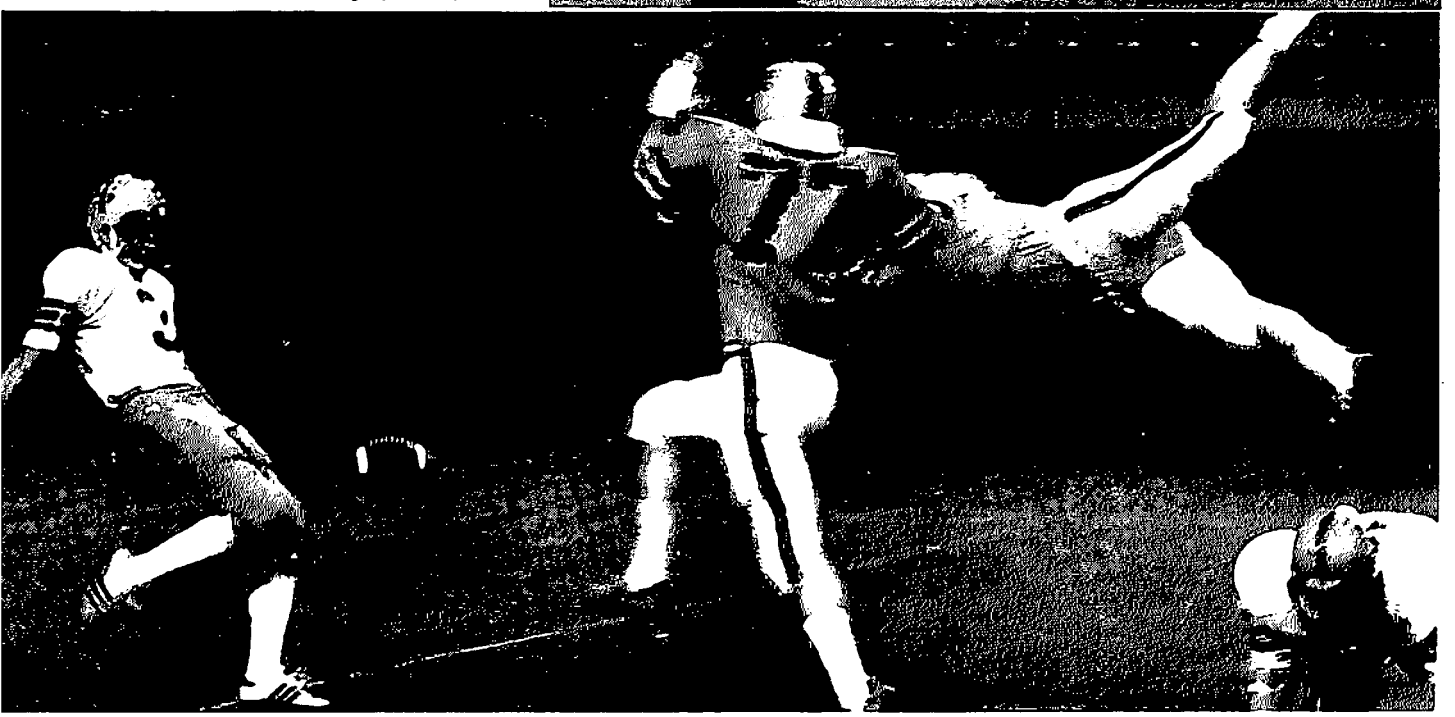
Lubick returns a full house in the secondary: corners Paul Dilley and Bret Chapman and safeties Jim Anderson and Tim Sturdevant. Replacing noseguard Ron Ranieri will be the big chore up front (Dave Thompson is the top candidate), as tackles Phil Bruneau (6-5½, 245) and Jim Missel (6-4, 245) return. Bruce Bull, Dale Fink, and Steve Niksich have all served apprenticeships at end, and Mark Eibner (220) and Brent Mackie (230) are crunching LB's.

NORTHERN ARIZONA

The best lobbyist the NAU baseball program had may have been Dwain Painter. He became a real fan last fall, when two-sport standout Scott Lindquist took over the Lumberjacks' quarterback spot four games into the season and proceeded to complete 55 percent of his passes for 1,446 yards. Problem was, NAU had plans to drop baseball, and there were fears Lindquist would drop NAU for another school where he could be a big fish in two ponds.

Never fear. Lindquist, who turned down a Cincinnati Reds contract two years ago, cast his lot with football, which will make Painter's job of improving on a 5-6 record easier. So will the dramatic return of linebacker John





Two of Idaho State's best weapons: defensive tackle John Naut (right) and punter Case de Bruijn (below)

Schachtner (6-5, 235), who lay near death after being shot by a motorcycle gang member at a party midway through the 1979 season. His weight dropped to 160 before recovery, yet he's back as one of the region's top prospects.

Linebacking has been NAU's specialty, and could be again with returning starter Dick Shumway, red-shirt John Suddarth (6-3, 241), and JC signees Jeff Gonter (230), Bill Hickmann (225), and Ron Thomas (220). Juco All-America Scott Allen (6-3, 265) joins Willie Sellers (6-3, 260) and Russ Owens (240) on the line. Another JC All-America, Sam Gray (12 interceptions at Dixie, Utah), and John Land should stick in the secondary with Tommie Wright and Junior Solomon.

Lindquist's big weapon is junior do-everything Pete Mandley, whose all-purpose yardage included 582 on 34 receptions and 700 yards in punt and kick returns. Mike Jenkins (448 yards) and Rusty Summers (389) will be the backs behind a line anchored by returning starters Fred Smith (6-5, 265) and Jim Polenske (6-3, 255) and bolstered by massive Dan Urango (6-5, 295.)

Northern Arizona RB Rusty Summers



WEBER STATE

Pete Riehlman presided over the original Fractured Fairy Tale in 1980, a cross between Cinderella and the Gong Show. This time, it wasn't a case of the coach turning into a pumpkin (apologies to Dee Andros), but of the Weber defense turning into pumpkin pie after that 4-0 Cinderella start in conference play. The Wildcats lost their last six games at 38 points a crack, and at the final stroke of midnight—GONG!—a 75-0 spanking from Portland State chased Riehlman out of town.

Enter Mike Price, who played Let's Make a Deal with 22 JC players that he'll blend with 13 returning starters in hopes of cooking up something with a little more substance than pumpkin pie. The Wildcats might even feature a running game (gasp) after gaining just 61 yards a game on the ground last year. Price lured JC carriers Andre Hardy, Mark Caskey, and Rodney Brewer to go with Kelvin Matthews (341 yards) and Phil Swan. Rich McKee is the only experienced entry in the quarterback free-for-all, which also includes the juco trio of Milt Myers, Jeff Roeszler, and Tim Bernal.

Weber's offensive strengths will be its receiving corps, led by Curt Miller (32 for 474) and Eric Allen, and the offensive line, where starters Tom Brothers (6-5, 230), Lawrence Livingston (230), John Mitchell (6-5, 245), and Bret Smith (6-5, 245) return.

All-Big Sky linebacker Danny Rich will move inside under a new 3-4 alignment, but the Wildcats lost two-time all-star Mark Massey from the secondary, which will be all new. John Fullington and Mike Nichter join Rich at the LB spots, while Curtis McGhan (6-4, 225) and Mike Morley (230) are the holdovers on the line. Top newcomers include end Bob Casper and safety Derwin Walker.

MONTANA

One down, nine to go. Larry Donovan's "Team of the Eighties" project used up one-tenth of the decade with a full step backward into the Big Sky cellar, but took a baby step forward with two strong efforts at season's end.

It took a half season before the Grizzly defense—the league's worst, giving up 396 yards a game—began to come around. But now Donovan must replace eight defensive starters to work with standout tackle Pat Curry (6-5, 245) and backs Tony Fudge and Mickey Sutton, UM's top interceptor and return man. The secondary could be stronger with the arrival of JC recruits Tony Harvey and Kevin Young, plus Scott Ellig, slated to start in 1980 before going down with an injury. Holdovers Gary Lowry, Reed Madison, and John Kovacich will help, too.

Part-timer Curt McElroy and sophs Malcum Sorrell and Andre Stephens will be tested at linebacker by transfers Ben Kiefer, Joe Nuu, and Ken Taylor, while Donovan is counting on holdovers Dave Paoli, Dave Chaplin, and Ron Sharkey on the line.

A cast of spot players must be molded into a dependable offensive line, but there's lots of starting experience in Pat Norwood (232), Jim Rooney, Basil Jones, Mark Madsen, and center Tom Perez (230). The best news is at the receiver spots: tight end, where Brian Salonen (15 catches for 180 yards) started as a freshman, and wide-out, with Mike Alex (20-229) and Brad Dantic (12-295), another freshman.

Donovan even wound up using a freshman at quarterback, and Marty Mornhinweg responded by hitting 50 percent of his passes for 874 yards. He might get a push from talented prep star Bob Connors in the fall. Injury took away UM's most dangerous weapon in tailback Rocky Klever in 1980's second game, and Bobby Cerkovnik went down after six. Both return, along with fullback Mike Hagen (291 yards rush, 26-233 receiving).





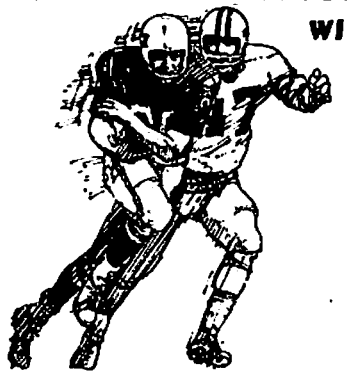


Weber State linebacker Danny Rich (left) and defensive tackle Pat Curry (top) and tailback Rocky Klever (above) of Montana from the Big Sky

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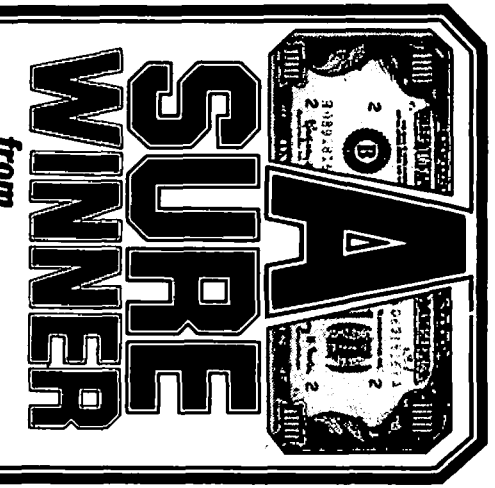
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Ohio	3-7-1	9-13 *+●F	21-10 ●F	U	21-10 +U	0-0 *●+F	+●F	*+●F	10-13 *+●U	14-41 +●F	2-8 *+●U			
ALABAMA		LSU	Georgia Tech (Birmingham)	Kentucky	Vanderbilt	Mississippi	So. Mississippi (Birmingham)	Tennesse (Birmingham)	Rutgers	Mississippi St.		Penn State		Auburn (Birmingham)
Tuscaloosa	10-2	28-7 +●F	26-3 F	45-0 +F	41-0 +●F	59-35 *+F	42-7 F	27-0 +F	17-13 *F	3-6 *+U		F		34-18 +F
ALCORN STATE			Grambling (New Orleans)	Alabama St. (Mobile)		South Carolina State	Texas Southern	Jacksonville State	Southern U.	Bishop Coll.	Mississippi Valley	Prairie View		Jackson St. (Nov. 26)
Lorman, MS	6-4		29-27 +●U	14-3 ●F		0-33 *U	24-3 +●F	F	7-15 +F	26-7 F	17-29 *+U	38-11 *+F		16-37 +U
APPALACHIAN		Lenoir Rhyne	James Madison	Chattanooga	Citadel	Wake Forest	Furman	VMI	Virginia Tech		Marshall	East Tenn.	W. Carolina	
Boone, NC	5-4-1	57-25 *F	34-6 *F	7-14 *+U	17-14 +●U	16-28 U	20-21 +U	16-16 *+F	U		23-6 *+F	42-15 +●F	27-24 +U	
ARIZONA			UCLA	California	Fullerton	Stanford	USC	Oregon	Wash. St.	El Paso		Oregon St.	Fresno St.	Arizona St.
Tucson	5-6		23-17 *+●U	31-24 *+●F		*+●U	10-27 +U	+U	14-38 *+●F	*●F		24-7 +F	*●F	7-44 +●U
ARIZONA STATE			Utah	Wichita St.	Wash. St.	Washington	Oregon	California	Stanford		San Jose St.	UCLA	Colorado St.	Arizona
Tempe	7-4		*●F	*●F	27-21 +F	0-25 +U	42-37 *+●F	34-6 *+●F	+F		*●F	14-23 +U	*●F	44-7 *+●F
ARKANSAS			Tulsa	Northwestern (Little Rock)	Mississippi (Jackson)	TCU	Texas Tech	Texas	Houston (Little Rock)	Rice	Baylor (Little Rock)	Texas A&M	SMU	
Fayetteville	7-5		13-10 *F	●F	●F	44-7 +●F	22-16 +●F	17-23 *+U	17-24 +●U	16-17 +F	15-42 +●U	27-24 +F	7-31 *+U	
ARKANSAS STATE			NE Louisiana	Richmond		Kansas	SW Louisiana	Chattanooga	McNeese St.	Lamar		La. Tech	Tulsa	
Jonesboro	2-9		12-35 ●U	*U	C. Michigan U	U	0-3 *+U	*●U	28-36 +●U	14-35 +U	Lamar 22-23 *+F	0-28 +●U	*●U	
ARLINGTON		SMU	New Mex. St.	TCU	West Texas	S. Mississippi	Louisiana Tech		North Texas	Arkansas St.	SW Louisiana	McNeese St.	Lamar	
Texas	3-8	16-52 ●U	10-30 *●U	●U	26-38 ●U	●U	21-20 *+●U		14-31 U	36-14 *+F	13-30 +●U	17-31 *+●U	44-27 *+●F	
ARMY	3-7-1		Missouri	VMI	Brown	Harvard	Rutgers	Princeton	Boston College	Air Force	Holy Cross	Pittsburgh		Navy (Philadelphia)
West Point, NY			U	*F	*F	10-15 U	21-37 *U	*F	14-30 *U	47-24 F	28-7 *F	7-45 U		6-33 U
AUBURN		TCU		Wake Forest	Tennessee	Nebraska	LSU	Georgia Tech	Mississippi St.	Florida	North Texas	Georgia		Alabama (Birmingham)
Alabama	5-6	10-7 *F		*F	0-42 +U	U	17-21 *+U	17-14 F	21-24 *+U	10-21 *+U	*F	21-31 +U		18-34 +U
AUSTIN PEAY			Kentucky St.	James Madison	W. Kentucky	E. Kentucky	Morehead St.		Mid Tennessee	Akron	Murray St.	Tennessee Tech	Tenn-Martin	
Clarksville, TN	7-4		*●F	21-3 F	14-20 *+●U	10-23 +U	23-21 +U		7-3 *+U	41-14 *+●U	24-0 +U	13-10 +F	20-24 *F	
BALL STATE			McNeese St.	Toledo	Ohio Univ.	N. Illinois	Indiana St.	Kent State	W. Michigan	E. Michigan	Bowling Green	C. Michigan	Illinois St.	
Muncie, IN	6-5		7-24 *U	27-7 +●U	37-18 +U	18-17 *+U	28-21 F	34-7 *+F	15-17 +U	28-0 *+F	21-24 *+F	17-21 *+U	F	
BAYLOR		Lamar	Bowling Green	Louisiana Tech (Shreveport)	Texas Tech	Houston	SMU	Texas A&M	TCU		Arkansas (Little Rock)	Rice	Texas	
Waco, TX	10-2	42-7 *●F	*●F	●F	11-3 *+●F	24-12 +●U	32-28 +●F	45-7 *+F	21-6 *+F		42-15 +●F	16-6 *+F	16-0 +U	

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN Daytona Beach, FL 5-4-1	Southern U. ●F	Texas Southern 10-0 ●F	Howard 13-13 ★+●F	N.C. A&T (Jacksonville) 22-29 +●U	Delaware St. 37-20 +F	Albany St (Orlando) 25-8 ●F		Tuskegee 22-13 ★F		South Carolina State 0-21 +F	Morris Brown 18-19 F	Central Florida (Orlando) F	Florida A&M (Tampa) 16-14 +F
BOISE STATE Idaho 10-3	NW Louisiana ★●F	Rhode Island ★●F	Idaho St. 22-13 ★+●F	N. Arizona 20-18 ★+●F	Montana 44-10 +F	Montana St 17-18 ★+●F		Weber St 24-0 +F	Reno 14-3 +F	Fullerton 26-11 F	Cal Poly SLO 20-23 ★T	Idaho 44-21 +●F	
BOSTON COLLEGE Chestnut Hill, MA 7-4			Texas A&M ★●U	North Carolina U	West Virginia ★●U	Penn State U	Navy 0-21 ★U	Army 30-14 F	Pittsburgh 6-14 ★U	Massachusetts 13-12 ★F	Syracuse 27-16 U	Rutgers ★F	Holy Cross 27-26 F
BOSTON UNIV. Massachusetts 9-2	Kings Point 42-0 ★F	Holy Cross F	New Hampshire 27-9 ★+F	Maine 17-0 +F	Colgate U	Davidson 35-14 F	Rhode Island 24-13 ★+F	Massachusetts 3-0 +U		Connecticut 28-24 ★+U	Bucknell 17-30 ★U	Northeastern 35-19 F	
BOWLING GREEN Ohio 4-7		Baylor ●U	Ohio Univ. 20-21 +U	Michigan St U	W. Michigan 17-14 ★+U	Miami (O.) 3-7 ★+U	N. Illinois +U	Toledo 17-6 ★+U	Kent State 24-3 ★+F	Ball State 24-21 +U	E. Michigan 16-18 +F	C. Michigan 10-32 ★+U	
BRIGHAM YOUNG Provo, UT 12-1	Long Beach 41-25 F	Air Force ★+F	El Paso 83-7 +●F	Colorado F	Utah St. 70-46 ★F	Las Vegas 54-14 ★F	San Diego St. 35-11 +●F	Wyoming 52-17 +F	New Mexico 21-25 ★+F	Colorado St 45-14 +F	Hawaii 34-7 +●F	Utah 56-6 ★+F	
BROWN Providence, RI 6-4			Yale 17-45 +U	Army U	Princeton 28-11 ★+U	Pennsylvania 42-22 +F	Cornell 32-25 ★+U	Holy Cross 21-3 F	Harvard 16-17 ★+U	Rhode Island 9-3 F	Dartmouth 24-28 +F	Columbia 31-13 ★+F	
BUCKNELL Lewisburg, PA 6-4		Connecticut 7-38 ★U	Kings Point F	Rochester +F	Davidson 13-21 ★T	Lafayette 14-0 F	West Chester 31-21 F	Lehigh 0-13 ★U	Cornell 33-16 F	Colgate 14-17 U	Boston U. 30-17 F		
CALIFORNIA Berkeley 3-8	Texas A&M ★U	Georgia U	Arizona 24-31 +●U	San Jose St ★U		Washington ★+U	Arizona St. 6-34 +●U	UCLA 9-32 +U	Oregon St. 27-6 ★+F	USC 7-60 ★+U	Washington St. (Spokane) 17-31 +U	Stanford 28-23 +U	
CENTRAL MICHIGAN Mt. Pleasant 9-2	Pacific ●F		N. Illinois 0-21 ★+F	Arkansas St +F	E. Michigan 51-15 ★+F	W. Michigan 22-10 +F	Toledo 14-10 +●F	Kent State 21-6 ★+F	Ohio U. 9-24 +F	Miami (O.) 15-14 ★+F	Ball State 21-17 +F	Bowling Green 32-10 +F	
CHATTANOOGA Tennessee 8-3		Middle Tenn 32-7 ★●F	Appalachian 14-7 +F	Jacksonville St 16-13 ★●F	Furman 28-42 +U	Marshall 21-11 ★+●F	Arkansas St ●F	W. Carolina 39-14 +F	East Tennessee 28-14 +F	Citadel 13-29 ★+●F	Tennesse St. ★●U	Vanderbilt 29-31 U	
CINCINNATI Ohio 2-9	Youngstown ★F	Penn State U	Pittsburgh U	Rutgers 7-24 ★●U		Ohio U U	Richmond 10-24 ★●U	Temple 7-23 ★●U	Tulane ★U	Memphis St 14-10 ★U	Louisville 0-20 ★U	Miami (O.) 23-13 U	
CITADEL Charlestown, S.C. 7-4		Navy U	West Carolina 28-21 ★+●F	Appalachian 14-17 ★+●F	East Tennessee +●F	VMI (Norfolk) 28-0 +F	Davidson 31-13 ★●F	Newberry 37-0 ★F	Presbyterian 21-14 ★●F	Chattanooga 29-13 +●U	Wofford 35-3 ★F	Furman 15-28 ★+U	
CLEMSON South Carolina 6-5	Wofford ★F	Tulane ●U	Georgia 16-20 ★U		Kentucky F	Virginia 27-24 ★+F	Duke 17-34 +F	N.C. State 20-24 ★+F	Wake Forest 35-33 ★+F	North Carolina 19-24 +U	Maryland 7-34 ★+F	South Carolina 27-6 F	
COLGATE Hamilton, NY 5-4-1		Rutgers 13-35 U	Lehigh 17-17 ★U	Cornell 38-20 F	Boston Univ +F	Temple ●U	Lafayette 44-0 ★F	Columbia 35-22 F	Syracuse U	Bucknell 17-14 ★F	Holy Cross 38-7 F		
COLORADO Boulder 1-10		Texas Tech ★U	Washington St. ★U	Brigham Young ★U	UCLA 14-56 U	Nebraska 7-45 +U	Oklahoma St. 7-42 ★+U	Iowa St 17-9 +U	Oklahoma 42-82 +U	Missouri 7-45 ★+U	Kansas 3-42 +U	Kansas St 14-17 ★+F	
COLORADO STATE Fort Collins 6-4-1		San Diego State 26-7 ★+F	Tennessee ●U	West Virginia 24-52 U	Air Force Academy 21-9 +F	Mississippi St. ★U	Utah 21-21 ★+U	El Paso 37-7 +●F	Wyoming 28-25 +U	Brigham Young 14-45 ★+U	New Mexico 31-26 ★+F	Arizona St. ●U	Hawaii +●U
COLUMBIA New York City 1-9			Harvard 6-26 ★+U	Lafayette 6-0 ★F	Pennsylvania 13-24 ★+U	Princeton 19-31 U	Yale 10-30 ★+U	Colgate 22-35 ★U	Holy Cross 0-26 U	Dartmouth 0-48 ★+U	Cornell 0-24 +U	Brown 13-31 +U	
CONNECTICUT Storrs 7-3		Bucknell 38-7 F	Northeastern 34-6 ★F	Yale 10-20 U	New Hampshire 20-10 ★+F	Lehigh U	Holy Cross 18-17 ★F	Maine 14-13 +F	Massachusetts 21-39 ★+F	Boston U. 24-28 +F	Rhode Island 56-30 +F		Delaware Nov. 27 ★U
CORNELL Ithaca, NY 5-5			Pennsylvania 31-9 +F	Colgate 20-38 ★U	Rutgers 3-44 U	Harvard 12-20 ★+U	Brown 25-32 +F	Dartmouth 7-3 +F	Bucknell 16-33 ★U	Yale 24-6 ★+U	Columbia 24-0 ★+F	Princeton 17-7 +F	

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DAVIDSON North Carolina 5-5	Newberry ●F	Wofford ●F	Lafayette 20-27 ★F		Bucknell 21-13 T	Boston U. 14-35 ★F	Citadel 13-31 ●U	Ham-Sydney 14-7 ★F	Lehigh 14-49 U	Furman 7-21 ★U	Catawba ★F		
DELAWARE Newark 9-2		W. Kentucky T	Temple 28-7 ★F	Princeton F	Lehigh 20-27 ★F	Massachusetts 21-17 ★F	Youngstown 20-13 ★F	Rhode Island ★F		Pennsylvania F	Maine 35-6 ★F	West Chester 28-7 ★F	Connecticut Nov. 27 F
DELAWARE STATE Dover 2-9		S.C. State 20-21 +U	Florida A&M 9-57 +●U	West Chester ★F	Beth-Cookman 20-37 ★+U	Howard 7-49 ★+U	N.C. A&T 0-52 ★+U		Towson St. 0-30 ★U	Salisbury St. 18-27 U	Central St. 20-14 F	E. Illinois U	
DRAKE Des Moines, IA 8-3	Northern Iowa F	Indiana St. 10-13 ★+U	W. Illinois ★F	Kansas St. U	Long Beach 7-21 ★U	Wichita St. 38-15 +U		West Texas 27-21 ★+U	Tulsa +●U	S. Illinois 28-34 +F	Illinois St. +F	Omaha 17-0 ★F	
DUKE Durham, NC 2-9		Ohio State U	South Carolina 7-20 ●U	Virginia 17-20 +U	East Carolina 10-35 ★U	Virginia Tech ★U	Clemson 34-17 ★+U	Maryland 14-17 +U	Georgia Tech 17-12 +F	Wake Forest 24-27 +F	N.C. State 21-38 ★+U	North Carolina 21-44 ★+U	
EAST CAROLINA Greenville, NC 4-7	W. Carolina 24-14 ★●F	North Carolina 3-31 U	N.C. State 14-36 ●U	Toledo ★●U	Duke 35-10 F	Richmond 24-22 U	SW Louisiana 21-27 ●U	Miami 10-23 ★U	West Virginia U	East Tennessee ★F	William & Mary 31-23 ★F		
EASTERN ILLINOIS Charleston 11-3	South Dakota 34-21 ●F	SW Missouri ★+F	NE Missouri 41-7 F	Central St. 40-15 ★F		Illinois St. 31-14 F	W. Illinois 37-7 ★+F	Youngstown 32-7 F	N. Iowa 14-9 +●U	Ferris St. ★F	Indiana St. 0-14 ★U	Delaware St. ★F	
EASTERN KENTUCKY Richmond 10-3	S.C. St. ★F	Youngstown 45-0 +●F	Navy U	Akron 10-21 ★+F	Austin Peay 23-10 ★+F	Middle Tenn. 24-0 +●F	Dayton ★F	W. Kentucky 10-13 ★+F	Murray St. 24-14 ★F	Tenn. Tech 48-7 ★+F		Morehead St. 18-14 +F	
EASTERN MICHIGAN Ypsilanti 1-9		Akron 10-21 ★●U	Illinois St. 7-15 U	Miami (O.) ★+●U	Central Michigan 15-51 +U	Toledo 7-49 ★+U	Ohio U 6-34 +U	Northern Illinois 6-38 ★+U	Ball State 0-26 +U	Kent State 12-35 +U	Bowling Green 18-16 ★+U	Western Michigan 0-37 +U	
EAST TENNESSEE Johnson City 2-9	Tenn. Tech ★●F	La. Tech 3-7 ●U	Furman 21-33 +U	Marshall 21-16 +●F	Citadel ★+●U		W. Carolina 17-20 +U	Wofford 9-16 ●U	Chattanooga 14-26 ★+U	East Carolina U	Appalachian 15-42 ★+●U	James Madison 28-23 ★●F	
EL PASO Texas 1-11	New Mex. St. 3-6 ★●U	Texas A&I ★●F	Brigham Young 7-83 ★+●U		Utah (Oct. 2) 7-31 +●U	New Mexico 21-22 +●U	Wyoming 7-52 +U	Colorado St. 7-37 ★+●U	Arizona ●U	Hawaii 34-14 ★+●U		San Diego St. 7-28 +●U	Las Vegas 14-53 ★●U
FLORIDA Gainesville 8-4	Miami 7-31 U	Furman ★F	Georgia Tech 45-12 ★F	Mississippi St. (Jackson) 21-15 +U	LSU 7-24 +●F	Maryland 35-30 ★F	Mississippi 15-3 ★+F		Auburn 21-10 +F	Georgia (Jacksonville) 21-26 +U	Kentucky 17-15 ★+F		Florida St. 13-17 ★F
FLORIDA A&M Tallahassee 5-6	Grambling (NYC) 10-27 ●U	Murray St. (Jacksonville) ●U	Delaware St. 57-9 ★+●F		Howard 42-25 +F	Jackson St. 0-10 ★●U		S.C. St. (Miami) 19-21 +●U	Tuskegee 49-22 F	N.C. A&T 22-24 +U	Southern U. 13-7 ★F	Rhode Island ★●F	Beth-Cookman (Tampa) 14-16 +U
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FRESNO STATE California 5-6	Oregon ★●U	Oregon St. ●U	Montana St. 21-14 F		San Jose St. 14-26 ★+●U	Fullerton 25-39 ★+●F	S. Illinois 31-14 ★F	Pacific 27-3 +F	Utah St. 0-14 +U	Las Vegas 6-35 ★U	Long Beach 9-34 +●U	Arizona ●U	
FULLERTON California 4-7	Wyoming U	Utah St. 17-28 +U	Hawaii 21-31 ●U	Arizona ●U	Cal Poly SLO 30-23 ★F	Fresno St. 39-25 +●U	San Jose St. 21-33 +●U	Long Beach 10-20 ★+U	Pacific 26-32 +U	Boise St. 11-26 ★U		Reno 17-16 ★F	
FURMAN Greenville, SC 9-1-1		Florida U	East Tennessee 33-21 ★+F	W. Carolina 28-14 +●F	Chattanooga 42-28 ★+F	Appalachian 21-10 ★+F	James Madison F	Liberty Baptist ★F	Marshall 35-0 ★+F	Davidson 21-7 +F	VMI 21-16 +F	Citadel 28-15 +F	
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GEORGIA TECH Atlanta 1-9-1		Alabama (Birmingham) 3-26 U	Florida 12-45 U	Memphis St. 17-8 ★F	North Carolina 0-33 ★U	Tennessee 10-23 U	Auburn 14-17 ★U	Tulane 14-31 ●U	Duke 12-17 ★+U	Notre Dame 3-3 U	Navy 8-19 ★U		Georgia 20-38 ★U
GRAMBLING Louisiana 10-2	Florida A&M (New York City) 27-10 ●F	Alcorn St. (New Orleans) 27-29 +●F	SMU ●U		Prairie View 68-0 ★+●F	Tennessee St. 52-27 ●F	Mississippi Valley 34-24 ★+F	Jackson St. 24-14 +F	Texas Southern 43-13 +●F	Alabama St. 28-12 ★●F	South Carolina State 28-3 F	Southern U. (Shreveport) 43-6 +●F	
HARVARD Cambridge, MA 7-3			Columbia 26-6 +F	Holy Cross 14-13 ★F	Army 15-10 ★F	Cornell 20-12 +F	Dartmouth 12-30 ★+F	Princeton 3-7 ★+F	Brown 17-16 +F	Wm. & Mary 24-13 F	Pennsylvania 28-17 ★+F	Yale 0-14 +U	
HAWAII Honolulu 8-3			Fullerton 31-21 ★●F	Idaho ★●F		Wyoming 20-45 +F	New Mexico 31-14 ★+●F	San Diego St. 31-6 +●F	Las Vegas 24-19 ★●F	El Paso 14-34 +●F	Brigham Young 7-34 ★+●U	Pacific 25-14 ★●F	Colorado St. ★+●F South Carolina (Dec. 5) ★●U
HOLY CROSS Worcester, MA 3-8		Boston U ★U	Massachusetts 13-17 U	Harvard 13-14 U	Dartmouth 17-6 F	Yale ★U	Connecticut 17-18 U	Brown 3-21 ★U	Columbia 26-0 ★F	Army 7-28 U	Colgate 7-38 ★U		Boston Coll. 26-27 ★U
HOUSTON Texas 7-5	New Mexico ★●F		Miami 7-14 ●U	Utah State ★●F	Baylor 12-24 ★+●F	Texas A&M 17-13 +F	SMU 13-11 ★+●F	Arkansas (Little Rock) 24-17 +●F	TCU 37-5 +F	Texas 13-15 ★+●U		Texas Tech 34-7 ★+●F	Rice 7-35 +F
HOWARD Washington, DC 6-2-2			Beth-Cookman 13-13 +●U	S.C. St. 17-30 ★+U	Florida A&M 25-42 ★+U	Delaware St. 49-7 +F	Virginia St. 38-14 ★F	N.C. A&T 35-14 +U	Norfolk St. ★F		W. Illinois U	Morgan St. 51-4 F	
IDAHO Moscow 6-5	Simon Fraser 56-16 ★●F	Weber State 31-6 +●F	N. Iowa ★●U	Hawaii ●U	Portland St. 37-27 ●F	Montana 42-0 ★+●F	Montana St. 14-6 +F	Reno 7-38 ★+F	Idaho State 21-28 ★+●F	N. Arizona 14-7 +●F		Boise State 21-44 ★+●U	
IDAHO STATE Pocatello 6-5		E. Washington ★●F	Boise State 13-22 +●U	Reno 30-26 ★+●U	N. Arizona 13-38 ★+●U	Portland St. 59-33 ●F	Montana 17-0 +F		Idaho 28-21 +●U	Montana St. 7-21 ★+●F	Utah State 7-14 ★●U	Weber State 17-21 ★+●F	
ILLINOIS Champaign 3-7-1	Pittsburgh U	Michigan St. 20-17 +F	Syracuse ★F		Minnesota 18-21 ★+U	Purdue 20-45 +U	Ohio State 42-49 +U	Wisconsin ★+U	Iowa 20-14 ★+U	Michigan 14-45 +U	Indiana 24-26 ★+F	Northwestern 35-9 +F	
ILLINOIS STATE Normal 4-7	W. Illinois 0-27 ★●U		E. Michigan 15-7 ★F	N. Illinois 28-18 ●U	S. Illinois 0-42 +U	E. Illinois 14-31 ★U	New Mex. St. ★+U	Indiana St. 9-0 +U	Wichita St. +U		Drake ★+U	Ball State ★U	
INDIANA Bloomington 6-5		Northwestern 35-20 +F	USC ★U	Syracuse F	Michigan 0-35 ★+U	Iowa 7-16 +U	Minnesota 7-31 ★+U	Ohio State 17-27 +U	Michigan St. +F	Wisconsin 24-0 ★+U	Illinois 26-24 +U	Purdue 23-24 ★+U	
INDIANA STATE Terre Haute 6-5	NE Louisiana U	Drake 13-10 +F	New Mex. St. 33-28 +●F	Wichita St. 20-46 ★+●U		Ball State 21-28 ★U	Tulsa 7-30 ★+U	Illinois St. 0-9 ★+F	S. Illinois 19-6 ★+F	West Texas 37-18 +F	E. Illinois 14-0 F	Marshall F	
IOWA Iowa City 4-7		Nebraska 0-57 ★U	Iowa State 7-10 F	UCLA ★U	Northwestern 25-3 +F	Indiana 16-7 ★+F	Michigan +U	Minnesota 6-24 ★+F	Illinois 14-20 +F	Purdue 13-58 ★+U	Wisconsin 22-13 +F	Michigan St. 41-0 ★+F	
IOWA STATE Ames 6-5		West Texas ★F	Iowa 10-7 ★U	Kent State ★F	Oklahoma 7-42 +U	San Diego St. ●F	Missouri 10-14 ★+U	Colorado 9-17 ★+F	Kansas St. 31-7 +F	Kansas 17-28 ★+T	Nebraska 0-35 +U	Oklahoma St. 23-21 ★+F	

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LONG BEACH		N. Illinois	Louisville	Las Vegas	Drake		Pacific	Fullerton		Utah St.	Fresno St.	San Jose St.	
California	8-3	9-16 ●T	9-16 ●F	●U	21-7 F		17-12 ★+●F	20-10 +F		28-27 ★+U	34-9 ★+●F	23-21 ★+●U	
LOUISIANA STATE		Notre Dame	Oregon St.	Rice	Florida	Auburn	Kentucky	Florida St.	Mississippi (Jackson)		Mississippi State		Tulane
Baton Rouge	7-4	7-28 ★+●U	★●F	7-17 ★●F	24-7 ★+●U	21-17 +F	17-10 ★+●F	0-16 ★●U	38-16 +F		31-55 ★+●U		24-7 ●F
LOUISIANA TECH		West Texas State	East Tennessee	Baylor (Shreveport)	Texas A&M	Northeast Louisiana	Arlington	Lamar	NW Louisiana (Shreveport)	Southwest Louisiana	McNeese St.	Arkansas State	
Ruston	5-6		7-3 ★●F	9-24 ●U	●U	14-19 ★●U	20-21 +●F	16-7 +●F	27-23 ●T	9-27 ★+●F	8-45 +●U	28-9 ★+●F	
LOUISVILLE		Florida St.	Toledo	Long Beach	Missouri	Marshall	Memphis St.	Tennessee St.	Oklahoma St.	NE Louisiana	Cincinnati	S. Mississippi	
Kentucky	5-6	0-52 ●U	★●F	★●U	U	●F	38-14	+F	U	+F	20-0 F	6-3 ★U	
MAINE		Kutztown St.	Lehigh	Rhode Island	Boston U	Lafayette	New Hampshire	Massachusetts	Connecticut	Northeastern	Princeton	Delaware	
Orono	4-7		6-37 U	14-11 +U	0-17 ★+U	24-3 F	13-19 ★+U	14-21 +U	13-14 ★+U	35-24 F	7-24 U	6-35 U	
MARSHALL		Morehead St.	W. Michigan	East Tennessee	Louisville	Chattanooga	William & Mary	VMI	Furman	Appalachian St.	W. Carolina	Indiana St.	
Huntington, WV	2-8-1	35-8 ★●F	U	16-21 ★+●U	●U	11-21 +●U	F	3-17 ★+U	0-35 +U	6-23 +U	13-13 ★+U		+U
MARYLAND		Vanderbilt	West Virginia	N.C. State	Syracuse	Florida	Wake Forest	Duke	North Carolina	Tulane	Clemson	Virginia	
College Park	8-4	31-6 ●F	14-11 ★F	24-0 +●U	★F	U	11-10 +F	17-14 ★+F	3-17 ★+U	●U	34-7 +U	31-0 ★+F	
MASSACHUSETTS			Holy Cross	Dartmouth	Rhode Island	Delaware	Maine	Boston U	Connecticut	Boston Coll.	New Hampshire		
Amherst	7-3		17-13 ★F	★F	26-8 ★+F	17-21 U	21-14 ★+F	0-3 ★+F	39-21 +U	12-13 U	17-0 +F		
McNEESE		S. Illinois	Ball State	Nicholls St.	West Texas	NW Louisiana	NE Louisiana	Arkansas St.	Lamar	Louisiana Tech	Arlington	SW Louisiana	
Lake Charles, LA	10-2	★●F	24-7 F	21-0 ●F	20-17 ★●F	10-13 ●U	48-28 ★●F	35-28 ★+●F	35-3 +●F	45-8 ★+●F	31-17 +●F	14-0 +●F	

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MIAMI Florida	9-3	Florida 31-7 ★F		Houston 14-7 ★●F	Texas ●U	Vanderbilt 24-17 ★●F	Mississippi St. 31-34 U	East Carolina 23-10 F	Penn State 12-27 ★U	Florida St. 10-9 ●F	Virginia Tech 20-10 ★F	N.C. State 12-30 F	Notre Dame 14-32 ★U
MIAMI Ohio	5-6		William & Mary F	North Carolina U	E. Michigan +●F	Kent State ★+F	Bowling Green +F	W. Michigan 34-24 ★+U	Ohio Univ 7-17 ★+U	Toledo 14-17 +F	C. Michigan 14-15 +U	N. Illinois ★+U	Cincinnati 13-23 +F
MICHIGAN Ann Arbor	10-2		Wisconsin 24-0 +F	Notre Dame 27-29 +F	Navy ★F	Indiana 35-0 +F	Michigan St. 27-23 +F	Iowa ★+F	Northwestern 17-10 ★+F	Minnesota 37-14 +F	Illinois 45-14 ★+F	Purdue 26-0 ★F	Ohio State 9-3 ★+F
MICHIGAN STATE East Lansing	3-8		Illinois 17-20 ★+U	Ohio State 16-48 +U	Bowling Green ★F	Notre Dame 21-26 U	Michigan 23-27 ★+U	Wisconsin 7-17 ★+U	Purdue 25-36 ★U	Indiana ★+U	Northwestern 42-10 +F	Minnesota 30-12 ★+U	Iowa 0-41 +U
MIDDLE TENNESSEE Murfreesboro	2-8	Akron 13-9 +●U	Chattanooga 7-32 ●U	Tenn-Martin ★●F	Morehead St 10-17 +U	W. Carolina 10-24 ●U	E. Kentucky 0-24 ★+●U	Murray St. 6-38 ★+●U	Austin Peay 3-7 +F	Youngstown ★+U		W. Kentucky 15-30 ★+U	Tenn. Tech 21-7 ★+F
MINNESOTA Minneapolis	5-6		Ohio Univ. 38-14 +F	Purdue ★+U	Oregon St. +F	Illinois 21-18 +F	Northwestern 49-21 ★+F	Indiana 31-7 +F	Iowa 24-6 +U	Michigan 14-37 ★+U	Ohio State 0-47 ★+U	Michigan St. 12-30 +F	Wisconsin 7-25 ★+U
MISSISSIPPI University	3-8	Tulane 24-25 ●U	South Carolina ●U	Memphis St. 61-7 ●F	Arkansas (Jackson) ●U	Alabama 35-49 +U	Georgia 21-28 ★+U	Florida 3-15 +U	Vanderbilt 27-14 ★+F	LSU (Jackson) 16-38 +U		Tennessee 20-9 +U	Mississippi St. (Jackson) 14-19 +U

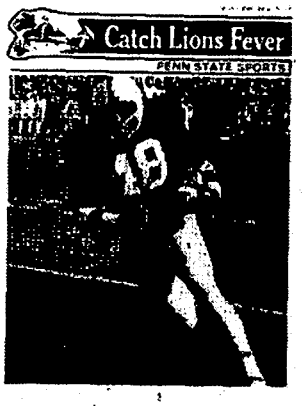
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MISSISSIPPI VALLEY Itta Bena	5-5 Morris Brown 106 *●F		Ark/Pine Bluff 27-21 *●F	Jackson St. 0-40 *+U	Southern 12-14 *+F	N.C. A&T 16-17 U	Grambling 24-34 +U	Tex. Southern 20-12 *+F	Prairie View 47-7 +F	Alcorn St 29-17 +F	Alabama St. 17-27 ●U		
MISSOURI Columbia	8-4		Army *F	Rice *F	Louisville +F	Miss. State (Jackson) U	Kansas St. 13-3 *+F	Iowa State 14-10 +F	Nebraska 16-38 *+U	Oklahoma St. 30-7 *+F	Colorado 45-7 +F	Oklahoma 7-17 *+U	Kansas 31-6 +F
MONTANA Missoula	3-7			N. Iowa +F	Boise State 10-44 *+U	Idaho 0-42, +●U	Idaho State 0-17 *+U	Portland St 0-20 +U	Montana St. 7-24 +U	Reno 7-10 *+U	Weber State 21-38 *+U	E. Washington (Spokane) 42-7 ●F	
MONTANA STATE Bozeman	4-6	Washington St. (Spokane) U	Fresno St. 14-21 *U	Simon Fraser *F	Weber State 7-12 *+F	Boise State 18-17 +●U	Idaho 6-14 *+U	No. Arizona 24-27 +●F	Montana 24-7 *+F	Idaho State 21-7 +●U	Reno 12-24 +U		
MOREHEAD Kentucky	4-7	Marshall 8-35 ●U		Middle Tenn. 17-10 *+F	Murray St. 6-30 +●U	Austin Peay 21-23 *+F	Akron +●U	Tenn. Tech +F	W. Kentucky 7-17 +U	Lib Baptist 20-23 *F	Youngstown 20-14 *+F	E. Kentucky 14-18 *+U	
MORGAN STATE Baltimore, MD	4-7 Towson St. 14-10 ●F		Cheyney St. (Philadelphia) 21-13 F		Bowie St. 28-0 *F	N.C. Central 14-7 F	S.C. State 13-49 U	Virginia St. 19-21 *U	N.C.A&T 21-22 *U	Va. Union 7-40 U		Howard 6-51 *U	
MURRAY STATE Kentucky	9-2-1 SE Missouri 19-6 ●F	Florida A&M (Jacksonville) ●F		Youngstown 24-6 +●F	Tenn. Tech. 10-3 *+●F	Morehead St. 30-6 *+●F	Tenn-Martin 20-6 ●F	Middle Tenn. 38-6 +●F	Akron 13-10 +●F	E. Kentucky 14-24 *+U	Austin Peay 0-24 *+F	W. Kentucky 49-0 +U	

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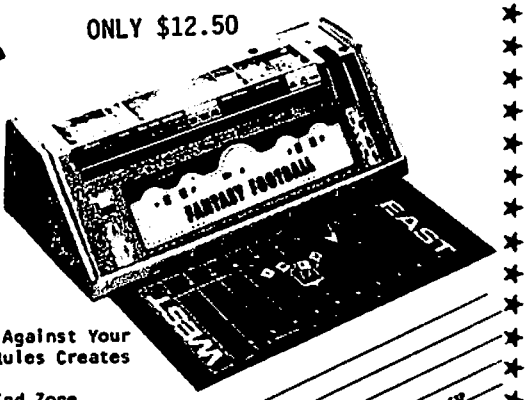
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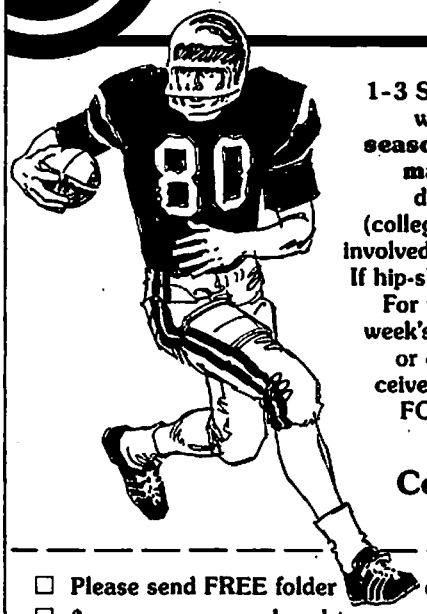
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NEW HAMPSHIRE Durham 6-4		American Int. ★F	Boston U ★U 9-27	Towson St. ★F 10-6	Connecticut ★U 10-20	Maine ★F 19-13	Lehigh ★U	Northeastern F 48-12	Rhode Island ★U 31-28	Lafayette F 26-6	Massachusetts ★★U 0-17		
NEW MEXICO Albuquerque 4-7	Houston ●U 7-72	Las Vegas ●U 7-72	Texas Tech ●U 17-28	Air Force ★★●F	San Diego St. ★★●F 22-24	El Paso ★★●F 22-21	Hawaii ★●U 14-31	New Mex. St. ●F 52-19	Brigham Young ★U 25-21	Utah ★★●U 21-49	Colorado St. ★U 26-31	Wyoming ★●U 24-21	
NEW MEXICO STATE Las Cruces 3-7-1	El Paso ●F 6-3	Arlington ●F 30-10	Indiana St. ●F 28-33	★★●U	Wichita St. ★★●U 14-14	North Texas U 28-38	Illinois St. ★F	New Mexico ★●U 19-52	W. Illinois ★●T	Tulsa ★●U 20-21	S. Illinois ★★F 18-17	West Texas ★★U 15-17	
NICHOLLS STATE Thibodaux, LA 2-9		Delta State ★●F	McNeese St. ★●U 0-21	Troy State ★●U 15-25	Kings Point ★●F	Southern U. ★●U 0-48	Tex. Southern ★●U	Tenn. State ●U 15-40	NE Louisiana ●U 28-29	NW Louisiana ★●U 14-21	SE Louisiana ●U 20-35	SW Missouri ★●U	
NORTH CAROLINA Chapel Hill 11-1		East Carolina ★F 31-3	Miami (O.) ★F	Boston Coll. ★F	Georgia Tech. ★F 33-0	Wake Forest ★F 27-9	N.C. State ★F 28-8	South Carolina ★F	Maryland ★F 17-3	Clemson ★★F 24-19	Virginia ★F 26-3	Duke ★F 44-21	
NORTH CAROLINA A&T Greensboro 9-3		Winston-Salem ★F 28-21	S.C. State ★F 9-24	Beth-Cookman (Jacksonville) ★●F 29-22	J.C. Smith ★F 45-13	Miss. Valley ★F 17-16	Delaware St. ★F 52-0	Howard ★★F 14-35	Morgan St. F 22-21	Florida A&M ★★F 24-22		Tenn. State ★U 16-25	N.C. Central ★F 49-13
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NOTRE DAME Indiana	9-2-1		LSU ★F	Michigan 29-27 U	Purdue 31-10 F	Michigan St. 26-21 ★F	Florida St. ★F		USC 3-20 ★T	Navy 33-0 ★F	Georgia Tech 3-3 ★F	Air Force 24-10 F	Penn State F 32-14 Miami F
OHIO STATE Columbus	9-3		Duke ★F	Michigan St. 48-16 ★+F	Stanford F	Florida St. ★F	Wisconsin 21-0 +F	Illinois 49-42 ★+F	Indiana 27-17 ★+F	Purdue ★+F	Minnesota 47-0 +F	Northwestern 63-0 ★+F	Michigan 3-9 +U
OHIO UNIVERSITY Athens	6-5		Minnesota 14-38 U	Bowling Green ★+F	Ball State 18-37 ★+F	Toledo 24-9 +●F	Cincinnati ★F	E. Michigan 34-6 ★+F	Miami (O.) 17-7 +F	C. Michigan 24-9 ★+U	N. Illinois 21-22 +U	W. Michigan 7-13 ★+U	Kent State 14-15 +F
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PENNSYLVANIA 1-9 Philadelphia			Cornell 9-31 *+U	Lehigh 6-35 U	Columbia 24-13 +F	Brown 22-42 *+U		Yale 0-8 +U	Princeton 21-28 *+U	Delaware *U	Harvard 17-28 +U	Dartmouth 7-40 *+U	Richmond Nov. 28 U
PITTSBURGH 11-1 Pennsylvania	Illinois *F		Cincinnati *F		South Carolina 37-9 *F	West Virginia 42-14 F	Florida St. 22-38 *F	Syracuse 43-6 *F	Boston College 14-6 F	Rutgers (E. Rutherford) F	Army 45-7 *F	Temple 36-2 F	Penn State 14-9 *F
PORTLAND STATE 8-3 Oregon	North Dakota 28-14 F	Puget Sound 37-14 *+F	Utah *F	Weber State 75-0 +F	Idaho 27-37 *+U	Idaho State 33-59 *+U	N. Arizona *+F	Montana 20-0 F	Cal Poly SLO *F		Northridge *+F	W. Washington *+F	
PRAIRIE VIEW 2-8 Texas	SW Texas 0-49 *U		Jackson St. 8-57 *+U	Southern U. (Houston) 6-31 +U	Grambling 0-88 +U	Bishop 0-12 F	Tex. Lutheran 3-0 U		Miss. Valley 7-47 *+U	Pine Bluff 9-7 F	Alcorn St. 11-38 +U	Tex. Southern 6-21 +U	
PRINCETON 5-4 New Jersey			Dartmouth 27-24 +F	Delaware *U	Brown 11-28 +F	Columbia 31-19 *+F	Army U	Harvard 7-3 +U	Pennsylvania 28-21 +F	Maine 24-7 +F	Yale 13-25 *+U	Cornell 7-17 *+U	
PURDUE 9-3 Lafayette, IN		Stanford +F	Minnesota 21-7 +F	Notre Dame 10-31 *U	Wisconsin 12-6 +F	Illinois 45-20 *+F	Northwestern 52-31 +F	Michigan St. 36-25 *+F	Ohio State *+U	Iowa 58-13 +F	Michigan 0-26 *+U	Indiana 24-23 +F	
RENO 6-4-1 Nevada		North Dakota +F	Cal Poly SLO *F	Idaho State 26-31 +F	C. Arkansas *F	N. Arizona +F	Weber State 0-10 *+F	Idaho 38-7 +U	Boise State 3-14 *+U	Montana 10-7 +F	Montana St. 24-12 *+F	Fullerton 16-17 U	
RHODE ISLAND 2-9 Providence		Boise State *U	Maine 11-14 *+F	Kings Point *F	Massachusetts 8-26 +U	Northeastern 24-19 +F	Boston U. 13-24 +U	Delaware U	New Hampshire *+F	Brown 3-9 *U	Connecticut 56-30 *+U	Florida A&M *U	
RICE 5-6 Houston, TX		Texas 28-41 +*U	Missouri U	LSU 17-7 *U	Tulane 14-35 +U	TCU 28-24 *+F	Texas Tech 3-10 +*U	Texas A&M 10-6 *+U	Arkansas *+U	SMU 14-34 +U	Baylor 6-16 *U		Houston 35-7 *+U
RICHMOND 5-6 Virginia	N.C. State *U	Virginia Tech 18-7 U	Arkansas St. F	S. Mississippi 12-33 *U	James Madison *F	East Carolina 22-24 *F	Cincinnati 24-10 *F			VMI 17-22 F	Wake Forest *U	William & Mary 26-14 F	Pennsylvania Nov. 28 *F
RUTGERS 7-4 N. Brunswick, NJ	Syracuse 9-17 U	Colgate 35-13 *F	Virginia 9/18 (E. Rutherford) 19-17 *F	Cincinnati 24-7 *F	Cornell 44-3 *F	Army 37-21 F	Temple 21-3 *F	Alabama 13-17 U		Pittsburgh (E. Rutherford) U	West Virginia 15-24 U	Boston Coll U	
SAN DIEGO STATE 4-8 California		Colorado St. 7-26 +U		Oklahoma St. 6-15 U	New Mexico 24-22 +*U	Iowa State *+U	Brigham Young 11-35 *+*U	Hawaii 6-31 *+*U	Utah 21-20 +U	Wyoming 9-34 *+*U	Las Vegas 17-28 *U	El Paso 28-7 *+*F	Air Force (Tokoyo) 13-10 +*F
SAN JOSE STATE 7-4 California	Las Vegas *+F	Santa Clara 28-14 *+F	Stanford 21-35 U	California F	Fresno St. 26-14 +*F		Fullerton 33-21 *+*F	Utah State 38-44 +F		Arizona St. *U	Pacific 28-23 *+*F	Long Beach 21-23 +*F	N. Tex. St. *+F
SOUTH CAROLINA 8-4 Columbia	Wake Forest 39-38 *F	Mississippi *+F	Duke 20-7 *F	Georgia 10-13 F	Pittsburgh 9-37 *+U	Kentucky *F	Virginia +*F	North Carolina U	N.C. State 30-10 *+F	Pacific 37-0 *F		Clemson 6-27 *U	Hawaii (Dec. 5) *F
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SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA 8-2 Hammond	Tex. Southern 47-6 *F	SW Louisiana *U	SW Texas F	S.F. Austin *F	Jackson St. 17-16 *+F	Troy St. 10-21 *F	Tenn-Martin *F	NE Louisiana 55-30 *+F	NW Louisiana 14-16 *+U	Southern U. F	Nicholls St. 35-20 *+F		
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STANFORD California 6-5		Purdue U		San Jose St. 35-21 ★F	Ohio State +U	UCLA 21-35 ★+U	USC 9-34 +U	Arizona St. ★+U	Washington 24-27 +U	Oregon St. 54-13 +F	Oregon 35-25 ★+U	California 23-28 ★+F	
SYRACUSE New York 5-6	Rutgers 17-9 ★F	Temple 31-7 +F	Illinois F	Indiana ★U	Maryland U		Penn State 7-24 +U	Pittsburgh 6-43 U	Colgate ★F	Navy 3-6 U	Boston Col. 16-27 ★F	West Virginia 20-7 ★U	

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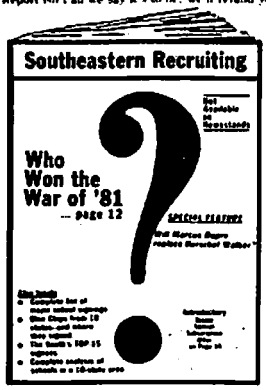
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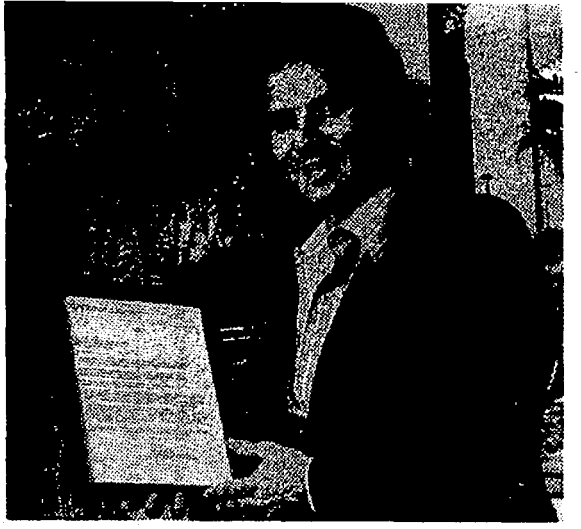
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10/14	San Diego Chargers	-8	Won
10/21	New England Patriots	-5	Won
10/28	Los Angeles Rams	-7	Lost
11/4	Green Bay Packers	+4	Lost
11/11	Denver Broncos	+1	Won
11/18	Washington Redskins	+4	Won
11/25	Kansas City Chiefs	+11	Lost
12/2	Pittsburgh Steelers	-13	Won
12/9	Washington Redskins	-6	Won
12/16	Pittsburgh Steelers	-13	Won
12/16	Washington Redskins	+9	Won

Won 11 Lost 4

1979 Record

73% Winners

1980 Record

65% Winners

1980 Record

9/7	St. Louis Cardinals	-7	Lost
9/8	Washington Redskins	-3	Lost
9/14	Miami Dolphins	-6½	Lost
9/21	Denver Broncos	-2	Lost
9/28	St. Louis Cardinals	+6	Won
9/28	Cincinnati Bengals	+3½	Won
10/5	Atlanta Falcons	+1	Won
10/5	Green Bay Packers	+7	Won
10/12	St. Louis Cardinals	+3	Lost
10/19	Washington Redskins	-4	Won
10/19	San Diego Chargers	-16	Won
10/26	Atlanta Falcons	+3	Won
11/2	St. Louis Cardinals	+4	Won
11/9	Minnesota Vikings	-1	Won
11/16	Chicago Bears	+3½	Lost
11/20	Miami Dolphins	+3½	Won
11/23	New York Jets	+6½	Won
11/30	New York Jets	+10	Lost
11/30	New York Giants	+2½	Lost
12/7	Buffalo Bills	+1	Won
12/7	Cincinnati Bengals	+2½	Won
12/7	Oakland Raiders	+3	Lost
12/8	Miami Dolphins	+3	Won
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